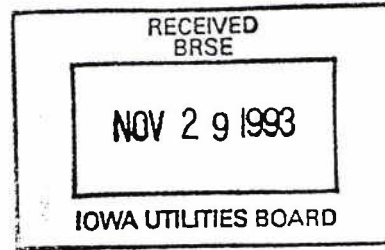




A MIDWEST RESOURCES UTILITY
666 GRAND, PO BOX 657
DES MOINES, IOWA 50303
515-281-2900

November 24, 1993



Mr. Donald J. Stursma
Iowa Utilities Board
Department of Commerce
Lucas State Office Building
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Mr. Stursma:

Enclosed please find a "Master List" of all transmission line E-Dockets which should now be transferred into Midwest Power Systems Inc.'s name. On your letter of July 23, 1993, you mentioned several E-Dockets that were not on our prior lists. On page two of that letter you indicated several E-Dockets which we superseded by IV dockets; however, the increase in voltage would not change the expiration date of the original franchise. This was confirmed via a telephone conference with Denny Hockmuth.

An updated list of the gas franchises is also enclosed. Please refer to the attached sheet regarding other franchises you specifically mention.

If you have any further questions or comments about this list, please let me know. Thank you for your assistance with this project.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Peterson

M. D. Peterson
Right-of-Way Services

Enclosure

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Gas Transmission Franchises

Location (Area)	Expiration Date	Docket Number	Permit Number
Charles City Lateral (Floyd)	2/11/94	P-700	814
Afton (Perry)	8/11/94	P-709	829
Harvey (Oskaloosa)	8/28/94	P-710	826
Attica-Pershing (Oskaloosa)	8/28/94	P-711	827
St. Marys-Martensdale (DSM)	8/28/94	P-714	828
Electrifarm Lateral (Black Hawk)	11/17/06	P-755	961
Indianola (DSM)	8/24/07	P-13	963
Red Oak-Shenandoah (Red Oak)	12/20/07	P-46	966
Winterset (DSM)	4/4/08	P-14	970
Emerson (Red Oak)	7/25/10	P-273	1063
Malvern (Red Oak)	7/26/10	P-272	1030
Melcher Dallas (DSM)	1/24/11	P-475	1064
Milo (DSM)	1/25/11	P-474	1033
Elliot (Red Oak)	1/25/11	P-476	1034
Ortho Plant (Ft. Madison)	5/3/11	P-488	1050
Iowa Methodist Med. Cntr. (DSM)	7/11/11	P-765	1040
Pleasantville (DSM)	7/24/12	P-511	1068
Neal Station Lateral (Woodbury)	2/18/13	P-524	1066
DeSoto-Van Meter (DSM)	6/7/13	P-768	1059
New Sharon (Oskaloosa)	8/9/13	P-548	1065
Donnellson (Ft. Madison)	1/20/14	P-561	1081
West Point	2/24/14	P-772	
St. Charles (DSM)	7/8/15	P-577	1090
Lovilla (Oskaloosa)	7/9/15	P-576	1089
Leighton (Oskaloosa)	7/9/15	P-578	1091
NGPL	9/10/15	P-774	1085
DPS #1 (DSM)	1/30/16	P-582	1105

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES DIVISION

TO: Docket File P-709, Box P87, 22-06-02-03

FROM: Guy Johnson GAJ

DATE: August 1986

SUBJECT: Transfer of Pipeline Permits.

On August 4, 1986, North Central Public Service Company (North Central), a division of the Donovan Companies, Inc. and Iowa Gas Company (Iowa Gas) filed a joint application with the Utilities Board for approval of the transfer of their assets, utility operations and business to Iowa Public Service Company (IPS). The pipeline permits held by North Central and Iowa Gas are included.

On August 13, 1986, the Utilities Board approved the transfer and authorized North Central and Iowa Gas to continue operations as divisions of IPS.

GAJ/kb

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES DIVISION

IN RE:

IOWA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, NORTH
CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY,
DIVISION OF THE DONOVAN COMPANIES,
INC., AND IOWA GAS COMPANY

DOCKET NO. SPU-86-6

ORDER APPROVING TRANSFER

(Issued August 13, 1986)

North Central Public Service Co., a division of the Donovan Companies, Inc. (North Central), and Iowa Gas Company (Iowa Gas) propose to sell and Iowa Public Service Company (IPS) proposes to buy the assets, utility operations and business of North Central and Iowa Gas. On August 4, 1986, IPS, North Central and Iowa Gas filed a joint application with the Utilities Board for approval of the transfer.

The Board's authority over transfers of public utility properties comes from Iowa Code §§ 476.2, 476.8, and 476.20(1) (1985) (as amended). Those statutes provide that the Board has broad general powers to assure that a public utility furnishes reasonably adequate service and to assure that a public utility will not discontinue, reduce or impair service without the Board's permission. A transfer of utility property to a person who is not ready, willing or able to provide reasonably adequate service to the public is tantamount to a discontinuation, reduction, or impairment of service.

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The Board has therefore considered whether IPS is ready, willing, and able to provide reasonably adequate service to the public. The Board has discovered no indication that transfer of the North Central and Iowa Gas utility assets, operations and business to IPS will cause service to be discontinued, reduced or impaired. It appears that Iowa Public Service Company is ready, willing, and able to provide reasonably adequate utility service to the public. The transfer will be approved.

The Board makes no determination at this time regarding the reasonableness of the purchase. The Board may consider the reasonableness of the purchase and the purchase agreement and apply appropriate regulatory principles to the transfer in a rate case or other appropriate proceeding. To facilitate further review of the transfer, IPS will be ordered to file all journal entries relating to the transfer.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

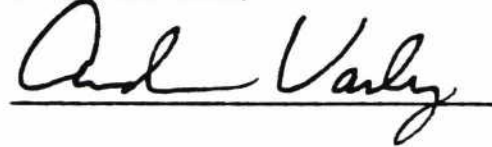
1. The transfer of all assets, utility operations, and business of North Central Public Service Company, a division of the Donovan Companies, Inc., and Iowa Gas Company to Iowa Public Service Company is approved.
2. Upon the date of transfer, North Central Public Service Company, a division of the Donovan Companies, Inc., and Iowa Gas Company are authorized to continue providing retail natural gas service to the public in Iowa as North Central Public Service Company, a division of Iowa Public Service Company, and Iowa Gas Company, a division of Iowa Public Service Company.
3. Natural gas permits, natural gas rates and service regulations, all proceedings in progress before the Utilities Board on the date of approval of this application, and all other documents and files in the

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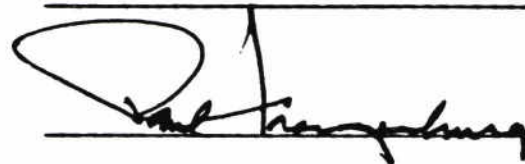
offices of the Utilities Division in which North Central Public Service Company, a division of the Donovan Companies, Inc., and Iowa Gas Company have any rights, obligations or interest are transferred from North Central Public Service Company and Iowa Gas Company to North Central Public Service Company, a division of Iowa Public Service Company and Iowa Gas Company, a division of Iowa Public Service Company, as appropriate.

4. Within thirty days of this transfer, Iowa Public Service Company shall file all journal entries relating to the transfer.

UTILITIES BOARD



ATTEST:


Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 13th day of August, 1986.

Effective July 1, 1986, the Iowa State Commerce Commission was renamed the Utilities Division of the Department of Commerce. The Utilities Board is the policymaking body for the Utilities Division. State Government Reorganization, Senate File 2175, Seventy-first General Assembly, §§ 702, 707, and 740.

Sealed 10/1

IOWA STATE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO. FOR A PERMIT

TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PIPELINE DOCKET NO. P-_____

PETITION

COMES NOW, NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO., Petitioner herein, and alleges and states as follows:

I.

Petitioner is a corporation duly existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Iowa. It is duly authorized to transact business in the State of Iowa. Its principal office is at Perry, Iowa.

II.

Petitioner proposes to construct a pipeline to be located in accordance with the description contained in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

III.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and by this reference made a part hereof are two copies of a map on which is shown the starting point, route and terminus of the proposed pipeline, the location of all public highways, railroad rights-of-way and streams along the route of said proposed pipeline and other pertinent information.

IV.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and by this reference made a part hereof are engineering specifications covering the engineering features, materials and manner of construction of the proposed pipeline, the approximate length of the line, diameter of the pipe used, the name and location of each railroad to be crossed, if any, the location of primary highways to be crossed, if any, and other pertinent information.

V.

Petitioner owns substantial property in the State of Iowa (exclusive of pipelines), is solvent and is financially able to pay damages in the amount of at least \$50,000.00 which may be legally recovered against it and which result from the operation of its pipelines within the State of Iowa, as shown by Exhibit "D", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

VI.

No part of the facilities herein proposed will be constructed longitudinally on, over or under any public highway or railroad right-of-way or at other than an approximate right angle to the street or highway, and if, during construction, it is found that longitudinal occupancy is necessary, and written consent or other showing of right to such occupancy is required, evidence of the granting of such consent will be filed in the form prescribed by the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

VII.

Petitioner will advise the Commission of the commencement of the construction which herein is proposed. If such construction requires one week or more, Petitioner will furnish to the Commission a progress report at the end of each week showing the progress of the various phases of construction.

VII.

The construction of the proposed pipeline will conform to the minimum requirements prescribed in the rules of the Iowa State Commerce Commission and all requirements of Chapter 490, Code of 1966.

VIII.

Petitioner will test the facilities herein proposed upon completion, in accordance with the applicable provision of ASME B31, latest issue. Immediately following such tests, Petitioner will file a report with the Commission setting forth the method of testing and the results of such test.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully prays that:

1. The Commission fix a time and place for hearing in the matter of this Petition for Permit, and that proper notice be prepared for publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Union _____ Counties, Iowa.

2. Petitioner be granted a Permit under the provisions of Chapter 490, Code of Iowa, 1966, to construct, operate and maintain a pipeline for the transmission of Natural Gas _____, and for such purpose to lay pipes, place pumps, pressure apparatus or other stations, devices or equipment used in or upon such pipeline which are necessary, under, along, over or across any public and private highways, grounds, waters or streams of any kind in the State of Iowa, or the lands of any person, company or corporation in the State of Iowa and to acquire, through the exercise of the right of eminent domain, the necessary interests in such land.

Dated this _____ day of April _____, 1969.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

G. J. Donovan, Vice President

STATE OF MINNESOTA }
COUNTY OF RAMSEY } ss.

I, G. J. Donovan, Vice President, being duly sworn, on oath state that I am of Petitioner above named and that I have authority to execute the foregoing instrument and that I have read the foregoing Petition and know the contents thereof, and that the statement therein contained are true and correct as I verily believe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said G. J. Donovan

the _____ day of April _____, 1969.

Notary Public

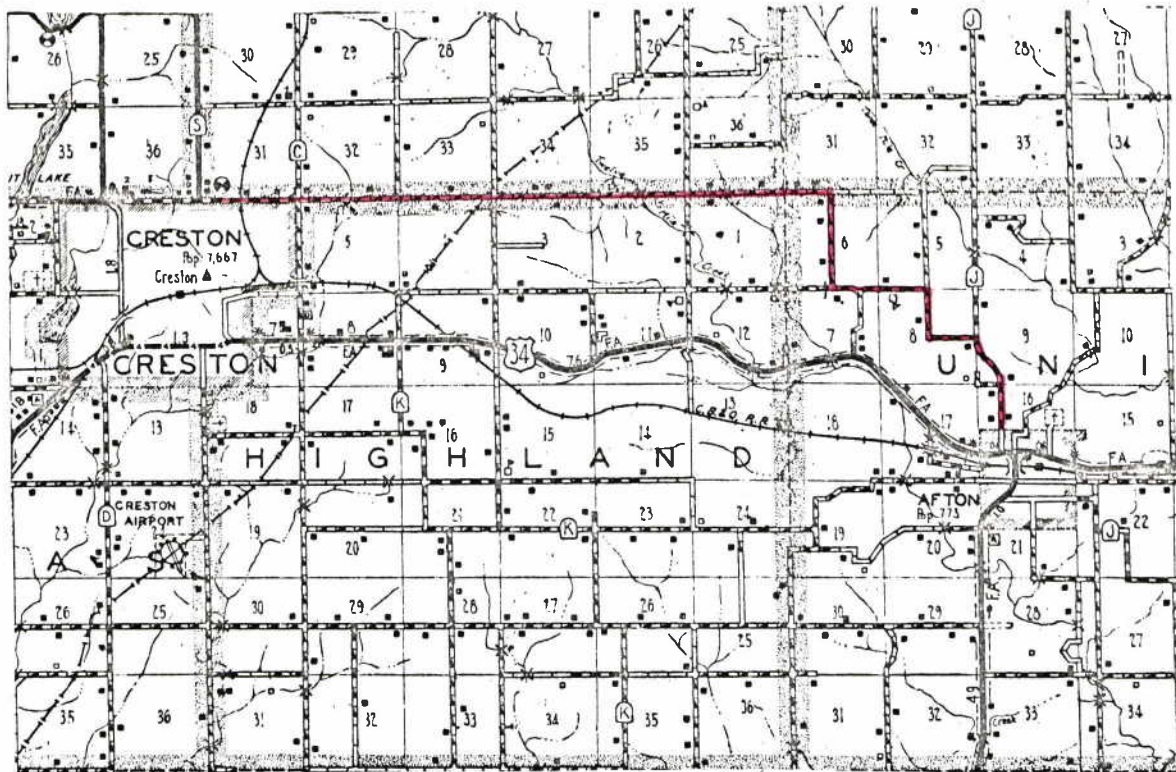
RESTRICTIONS

Paragraph VI. If no longitudinal construction or construction at other than an approximate right angle is contemplated, the following statement may be used:

No part of the facilities herein proposed will be constructed longitudinally on, over or under any public highway or railroad right-of-way or at other than an approximate right angle to any highway or track. If during construction it is found that longitudinal occupancy is necessary, and written consent or other showing of right to such occupancy is required, evidence of the granting of such consent will be filed in the form prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Commission.

If such construction is contemplated, the following statement may be used:

Appended hereto as Exhibit "B" and by this reference made a part hereof are consents or other showing of right of appropriate public highway authorities or railroad companies where the proposed pipeline will be placed longitudinally on, over or under or at other than an approximate right angle to the highway or railroad track.

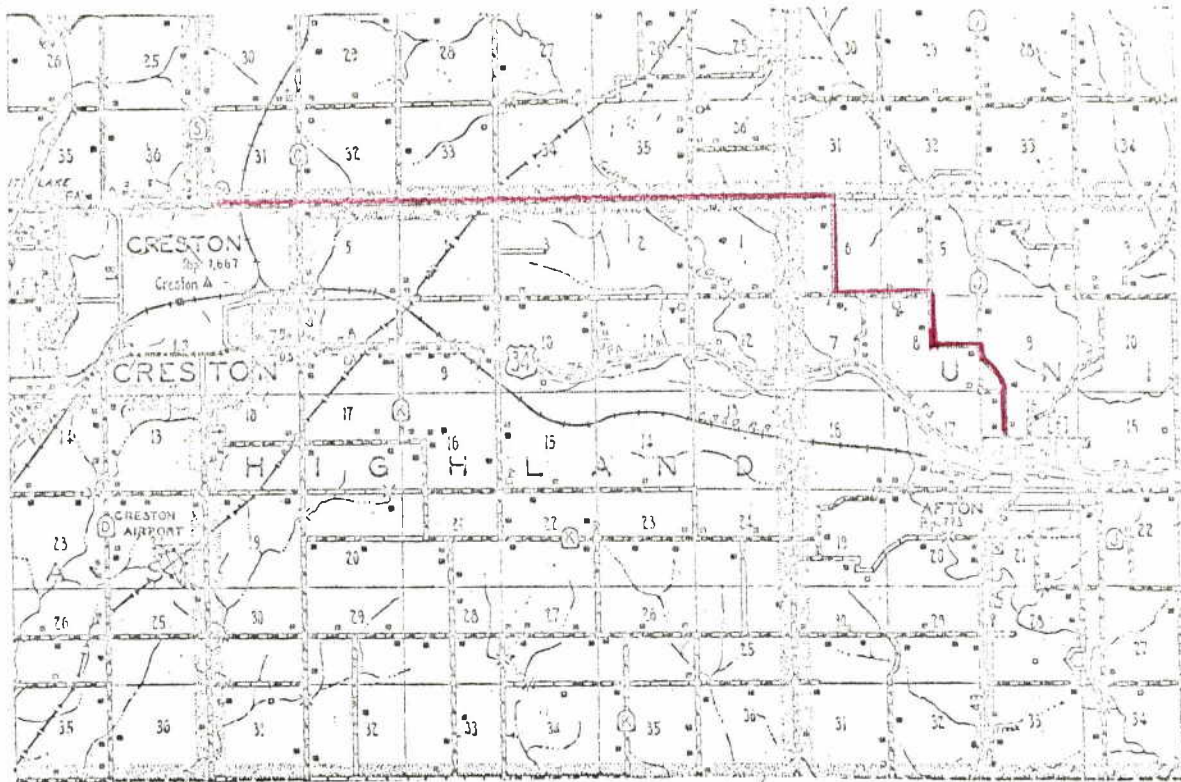


— PROPOSED TRANSMISSION PIPELINE

OUTSIDE DIAMETER	3.5 INCHES
INSIDE DIAMETER	3.188 INCHES
LENGTH	10.26 MILES
COMPRESSOR STATIONS	NONE
CONNECTION WITH SUPPLIER	AT CRESTON IOWA
SUPPLIER	NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CO. OF AMERICA
KNOWN PROPOSED FACILITIES BY SUPPLIER	1 TOWN BORDER STATION AT CRESTON IOWA.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO

AFTON IOWA



PROPOSED TRANSMISSION PIPELINE

OUTSIDE DIAMETER	3.5 INCHES
INSIDE DIAMETER	3.188 INCHES
LENGTH	10.25 MILES
COMPRESSOR STATIONS	NONE
CONNECTION WITH SUPPLIER	AT CRESTON IOWA
SUPPLIER	NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CO. OF AMERICA
KNOWN PROPOSED FACILITIES BY SUPPLIER	1 TOWN BORDER STATION AT CRESTON IOWA.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

AFTON IOWA

IOWA STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION
SPECIFICATIONS FOR PIPELINE
EXHIBIT "C"

Use separate sheet for each size pipe. Answer all questions fully.

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of
America Line at

1. The proposed pipeline will transport..... Natural Gas from Creston, Iowa
Iowa to..... Afton Iowa., All in Union County
The maximum actual operating pressure of the line will be..... 500 psi.
When operated at an inlet pressure of..... 300 psi. and an outlet pressure
of..... 100 psi. it will transport..... 1,440 mcf. or bbls. per day.

2. PIPE: Mileage..... 10.25 Type of joints..... Welded
Internal diameter..... 3.188" **Location class 1 ☒ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐
External diameter..... 3.5" **Construction type A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐
Weight (foot)..... 5.58# Max. allowable working psi..... 1615
Lengths (feet)..... 45' Minimum yield psi..... 55,000
Tensile strength psi..... 60,000 Mill test psi..... 1,900
Manufacturer of pipe Republic Steel Corporation Pipe specification..... API-5L Grade B

3. Name and method of coating, if any..... X-Tru Coat: Adhesive .005" Plastic .035"

4. Describe cathodic protection, if any used..... Pipe to be Cathodically protected to the extent determined
by survey to be made at time of construction

5. VALVES:
Test pressure..... 3,000 PSI Flanged, screwed or welded Flanged
Manufacturer's name, type and reference No. Nordstrom Fig. #2245 Plug Valve
Approximate distance between gates..... 10.25 Miles

6. DITCH:
Machine or hand..... Machine Depth of cover..... 30 inches
Width at bottom..... 8 inches Minimum cover where crossing open ditches, draws or creeks.....
36 inches

7. CROSSINGS: Railway
Name of Railroad C.B. & O. R.R. Location (legal description)
SE 1/4, SW 1/4 Section 31, T73N, R30-W
Union County

Primary Road
No. of Road None Location (legal description)

Number of secondary roads..... Five
Number of crossings of rivers or other waterways..... One - Twelve Mile Creek
SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 35, T73N, R30W Union County

Locate and describe any multiple line crossings..... None

What crossings will have river clamps or heavy wall pipe..... None

What crossings will be rippapped..... None

Do you expect to comply with minimum specifications of this Commission covering railroad crossings and primary and secondary
highway crossings..... Yes

8. BRIDGES:
Locate and describe span bridge crossings..... None
Locate and describe suspension bridge crossings..... None

9. SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION:
None

Advice will be furnished to this Commission of the start of construction of the pipeline covered by this application. If the
work of construction lasts one week or more a report will be furnished at the end of each week showing the progress of different
phases of the work.

The pipeline shall be tested upon its completion in accord with applicable provisions of Standard Code of Pressure Piping
ASA B31.1, latest issue, (Section 3 for gas lines and Section 3 for oil lines). Immediately following the test a written report will
be forwarded to this Commission showing the method and results of the test.

Minimum actual operating pressure is the maximum operating pressure that will exist in the piping system during a normal
actual operating cycle. This pressure is amount which will be specified in operating permits, when and if issued.

**See Standard Code of Pressure Piping ASA B31.1, (Section 3 gas lines).

Name of applicant..... NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

Date..... 11/22/69 Signed by.....

EXHIBIT D

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.
STATEMENT AS TO SOLVENCY AND FINANCIAL STABILITY

North Central Public Service Co. has distributed natural gas in the State of Iowa since 1938. It presently owns and operates the natural gas distribution systems in Perry, Bayard, Bagley, Yale, Jamaica, Algona, Wesley, Fenton, Lone Rock, Ringsted, Fort Madison, West Point, Donnellson and Denmark, Iowa. The Company's net worth is approximately \$5,910,000 as of December 31, 1968, with total assets of approximately \$13,900,000. The cost of its Iowa properties is \$4,390,000; the net value after allowances for depreciation reserves of \$1,240,000 is approximately \$3,150,000. Cash on hand at the bank, accounts receivable, inventories, etc. in Iowa vary from month to month, but are always in excess of \$400,000. The Company's Dun and Bradstreet rating is AAA1.

STATE OF MINNESOTA

SS:

COUNTY OF RAMSEY

I, L. J. Hermes, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and state that I am an officer of North Central Public Service Co.; that I have read the foregoing Exhibit "D" and am familiar with the matters stated therein and that the matters set forth are true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

BY: 

L. J. Hermes, Treasurer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of April, 1969.


M. C. Hoogesteger,

Notary Public in and for Said
County and State

My Commission expires March 4, 1975.

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North Central Public Service Co.

DIVISION OFFICE

1930 COON RAPIDS BLVD.

— COON RAPIDS, MINNESOTA 55433

August 11, 1969

Iowa Commerce Commission
Utilities Division
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Attn: Mr. Robert J. Buckley

Dear Sir:

We wish to advise that construction of the lateral line required to serve Afton, Iowa with natural gas is scheduled to start about August 14, 1969 and indications are that this schedule will be met.

Thank you.

Yours truly

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.



Ward Foss
Director of Engineering & Const.

WF:ms

cc: G. J. O'Brien
Pat Montag

IOWA NATURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL
STATE HOUSE
DES MOINES, IOWA 50319

WJR 8-19-69

H.E.S.

File P-709

August 11, 1969

North Central Public Service Co.
Division of Donovan Companies, Inc.
1080 Montreal Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

Attn: P. R. Montag

Dear Mr. Montag:

Your request for waiver of the administrative limits for your project located in the south side of Section 35, T73N, R30W, Union County, Iowa, has been received.

It is our understanding that your proposed project consists of a 3 inch natural gas pipeline to be buried at least 5 feet deep at the crossing of Twelve Mile Creek (drainage area 21.8 square miles). Said pipeline is to have additional weight of concrete added for flotation resistance as determined in the field within the pipeline segment with ground surface at 1187 elevation (m. s. l.) or less within the Twelve Mile Creek Watershed due to the planned reservoir at this site in the Twelve Mile Creek Watershed Project.

Subject to the conditions listed below, the project is considered to be minor in scope and to have no appreciable effect on the floodway. The administrative limits are hereby waived and formal Council approval for your project will not be required.

1. the applicant shall be responsible for proper maintenance;
2. no legal or financial responsibility arising from the construction or maintenance of the above works shall attach to the State of Iowa or the Iowa Natural Resources Council due to this administrative waiver;

North Central Public Service Co.

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3. the applicant shall be responsible for obtaining such other governmental licenses, permits or approvals and such lands, easements and rights-of-way as are required for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the approved works.

If you should have any questions concerning the action taken, please contact us.

Very truly yours,


Othie R. McMurry
Director

ORM/jwf/jrd

cc: Commerce Commission ✓
Soil Conservation Service

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IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

The Commission finds from their record of the hearing on the petition of North Central Public Service Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, heard on July 22, 1969, at the office of the Commission in the matter of 10.25 miles of 3-inch natural gas pipeline, Afton Lateral, in Union County, Iowa:

(1) North Central Public Service Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, under date of April 23, 1969, filed petition under the provisions of Chapter 490, Code of Iowa, 1966, to construct, operate and maintain a pipeline for the transportation of natural gas.

(2) The petition was assigned for hearing and was heard at the office of the Commission in Des Moines, Iowa, on July 22, 1969.

(3) Due notice of hearing on such petition was given as provided by statute.

(4) No written objections are on file and no objectors appeared at the hearing.

(5) Applicant is a pipeline company as defined in Chapter 490, Code of Iowa, 1966.

(6) The pipeline as described in this docket lies wholly within the State of Iowa.

(7) That the specifications for the described pipeline as set forth in the application meet the minimum requirements prescribed by this Commission.

(8) Applicant has not requested the right of eminent domain; therefore, the Commission does not prescribe and approve any such right in connection with this docket.

(9) That the proposed line will be used to initiate natural gas service to the town of Afton, Iowa.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the petition of the applicant

in this docket be granted and that Permit No. 829 be issued, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, imposing on applicant all the duties and obligations and vesting applicant with all the rights and privileges flowing from such grant under the provisions of Chapter 490, Code of Iowa, 1966. This permit is granted and issued for a period of twenty-five years from and after the date hereof unless revoked, modified or terminated by law and it is expressly stated herein that the permit shall be subject to and governed by all the provisions, conditions, rules and regulations of the Iowa State Commerce Commission as now exist or may be hereinafter ordered or required by said Iowa State Commerce Commission insofar as the same may be applicable, provided, however, that should the construction herein contemplated not be completed within two (2) years from the date hereof, and a construction completion report not be filed with this Commission, this permit shall be void and of no further force or effect unless extended by order of this Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no pipeline shall be constructed longitudinally on, over or under any public highways or railroad right of way or at any other than approximate right angles to the track or to the highway without the consent of the proper public authorities or the railroad company's consent nor shall it be considered that any provisions of said Chapter 490 or of this permit shall give the right of condemnation or eminent domain for such purpose.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within three (3) days after construction begins, a construction commencement report will be filed with this Commission. A construction progress report shall be filed each week during the construction of the pipeline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within ten (10) days after completion of the construction of the pipeline herein described, a construction completion report will be filed with the Commission. Said report shall include information relative to any unusual construction problems or occurrences, a copy of the pressure test procedure and results obtained. Within 180 days after completion of the construction, a copy of the pipe-to-soil potential profile and maps of the final routing bearing rechain survey notes shall be filed with the Commission. Said maps shall be made part of the record herein and shall serve as the route description in the permits granted. If there are variations between the line routing contained in the permits and the final routing as shown by the survey notes, the rechain survey shall prevail.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Commission shall retain jurisdiction in this matter for the purpose of entering such further order as it may deem proper.

IOWA STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Frank B. Means

Chairman

(SEAL)

Kenneth Benda

Commissioner

Dick A. Witt

Commissioner

ATTEST:

E. B. Storey

Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, August 11, 1969.

EXHIBIT "A"

UNION COUNTY, IOWA

A 3-inch diameter natural gas pipeline all in Union County, Iowa commencing at the point of connection with the outlet end of a proposed meter station adjacent to the existing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America town border station serving Creston, Iowa located in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W, thence Easterly on the North side of the township road located on and paralleling the South line of Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, Township 73N, Range 30W and Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W to the center of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W, crossing under the tracks of the C.B. & Q. R.R. in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W and over an existing underground pipeline of Standard Oil Company of Indiana in the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 73N, Range 30W and under the bed of Twelve Mile Creek in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 73N, Range 30W, thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 6, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of 1 mile, thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located between Sections 6, 7, 5 and 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of 1 mile, thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of one-half mile, thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile, thence Southeasterly on the West side of Union County Road "J" located in the SW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 72N, Range 29W and the NW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W, terminating at a point within the corporate limits of the Village of Afton in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W.

Said pipeline will be approximately 10.25 miles in length.

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EXHIBIT "A"

UNION COUNTY, IOWA

A 3-inch diameter natural gas pipeline all in Union County, Iowa commencing at the point of connection with the outlet end of a proposed meter station adjacent to the existing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America town border station serving Creston, Iowa located in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W, thence Easterly on the North side of the township road located on and paralleling the South line of Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, Township 73N, Range 30W and Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W to the center of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W, crossing under the tracks of the C.B.& Q. R.R. in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W and over an existing underground pipeline of Standard Oil Company of Indiana in the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 73N, Range 30W and under the bed of Twelve Mile Creek in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 73N, Range 30W, thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 6, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of 1 mile, thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located between Sections 6, 7, 5 and 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of 1 mile, thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of one-half mile, thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile, thence Southeasterly on the West side of Union County Road "J" located in the SW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 72N, Range 29W and the NW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W, terminating at a point within the corporate limits of the Village of Afton in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W.

Said pipeline will be approximately 10.25 miles in length.

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June 4, 1969

File: P-709

Mr. James A. Gillen, Gen. Solicitor
Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR Co.
547 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago 6, Illinois

Dear Mr. Gillen:

North Central Public Service Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, has made application to this Commission to construct approximately 10.25 miles of 3-inch natural gas pipeline in Union County to extend from the northeast part of Creston to the north end of Afton, Iowa.

The application shows that the proposed pipeline will undercross the tracks of your railroad in the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 31, T73N, R30W; also, that the applicant will conform with the minimum specifications of this Commission covering the undercrossing of pipelines with railroad tracks. The pipeline company will undoubtedly contact your company relative to the manner and location of crossing.

Attached is copy of the official notice which describes the routing of the pipeline. The notice also shows the date scheduled for hearing in this matter. The above is furnished you as information.

Very truly yours,

Donald R. Huntoon
Administrative Assistant
Utilities Division

DRH:lw
Att.

June 4, 1969

File: P-709

State Conservation Commission
Des Moines
Iowa

Gentlemen:

North Central Public Service Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, has made application to this Commission to construct approximately 10.25 miles of 3-inch natural gas pipeline in Union County to extend from the northeast part of Creston to the north end of Afton, Iowa.

Attached is copy of official notice and proposed routing of the line. The specifications indicate water crossing of Twelve Mile Creek in the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 35, T73N, R30W.

The above is furnished for your information.

Very truly yours,

Donald R. Huntoon
Administrative Assistant
Utilities Division

DRH:lw
Att.

cc: Natural Resources Council

June 4, 1969

File: P-709

Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Union County Court House
Creston, Iowa

Dear Sir:

North Central Public Service Company, St. Paul, Minnesota, has made application to this Commission to construct approximately 10.25 miles of 3-inch natural gas pipeline in Union County to extend from the northeast part of Creston to the north end of Afton, Iowa.

Attached is copy of official notice which describes the general routing of the line through your county and indicates where road crossings under your jurisdiction will occur. The specifications submitted in connection with this matter show that the company will meet minimum requirements for the undercrossing of highways.

A representative of the pipeline company will undoubtedly contact you relative to the particular location of crossings so that if you have any future improvements under consideration, the line can be conformed to those improvements.

Very truly yours,

Donald R. Huntoon
Administrative Assistant
Utilities Division

DRH:lw
Att.

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WJR 5/5/69
HES. 5-5-69
File P-709

May 1, 1969

File: P-709

Mr. G. J. O'Brien
North Central Public Company
1080 Montreal Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

We are in receipt of your petition for a three inch diameter natural gas pipeline in Union County. The file has been docketed P-709, and a request is before the Commission for a hearing date. You will be notified as soon as the date is set.

We will continue to process your petition and keep you informed of any correction where change is necessary in the petition.

Very truly yours,

William J. Randolph, P.E.
Gas and Water Engineer
Utilities Division

WJR:jj

August 11, 1969

File: P-709

Mr. G. J. O'Brien
North Central Public Service Company
1080 Montreal Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

Attached is certified copy of Permit No. 829 along with conformed copy of Decision and Order Granting A Permit, both issued August 11, 1969, in Docket P-709.

Also enclosed is bill form showing construction charge. Please return blue copy of form along with your remittance.

Please acknowledge receipt of Permit and Order on duplicate copy of this letter and return to this office.

Very truly yours,

Donald R. Huntoon
Administrative Assistant
Utilities Division

DRH:lw

Att.

The above referenced copies of Permit and Order were received on _____, 1969, by _____.

North Central Public Service Co.

1080 MONTREAL AVE. • ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55102

April 22, 1969

State of Iowa
Iowa Commerce Commission
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is an original and two copies of a petition of North Central Public Service Co. for a permit to construct, operate and maintain a 3-inch diameter natural gas pipeline in Union County, Iowa. This pipeline will extend from a point on the Northeast part of Creston, Iowa to the North end of Afton, Iowa.

The petition includes an Exhibit A, being a description of the proposed route of the pipeline; Exhibit B, being a map of the proposed routing of the pipeline; Exhibit C, showing engineering specifications, features, materials and manner of construction of the pipeline; and Exhibit D, being a statement as to the solvency and financial stability of the petitioner.

We also enclose a copy of our application to the Federal Power Commission, requesting that the Commission order Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America to construct the necessary facilities and to provide us with the natural gas necessary for service to Afton. This application has been assigned Docket No. CP69-245.

Will you please docket the petition for hearing and advise the following persons of the time and place of the hearing:

Ned Willis
Willis and Sackett
Attorneys at Law
1212 Second Street
Perry, Iowa 50220

Pat Montag
North Central Public Service Co.
Algona, Iowa 50511

G. J. O'Brien
North Central Public Service Co.
1080 Montreal Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

Will you please send a copy of the official notice of the hearing to Pat Montag, who will then have this published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Union County newspaper.

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Iowa Commerce Commission

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April 22, 1969

Your cooperation in arranging for an early hearing and transmittal of the official notice will be greatly appreciated, since the Federal Power Commission has advised us that an allocation of natural gas for service to Afton, Iowa will not be approved until after approval has been received for the permit from you.

If any question should arise in connection with this petition, will you please communicate directly with G. J. O'Brien, whose telephone number is - 612 690-1761, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.


G. J. O'Brien

GJO:ehp

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Date: 10

IOWA STATE COMMISSIONER

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO. FOR A PERMIT

TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PIPELINE. BOOKET NO. P. _____

PETITION

COMES NOW, NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO., Petitioner herein, and alleges and states as follows:

I.

Petitioner is a corporation duly existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Iowa. It is duly authorized to transact business in the State of Iowa. Its principal office is at Perry, Iowa.

II.

Petitioner proposes to construct a pipeline to be located in accordance with the description contained in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

III.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and by this reference made a part hereof are two copies of a map on which is shown the starting point, route and terminus of the proposed pipeline, the location of all public highways, railroad rights-of-way and streams along the route of said proposed pipeline and other pertinent information.

IV.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and by this reference made a part hereof are engineering specifications covering the engineering features, materials and manner of construction of the proposed pipeline, the approximate length of the line, diameter of the pipe used, the name and location of each railroad to be crossed, if any, the location of primary highways to be crossed, if any, and other pertinent information.

V.

Petitioner owns substantial property in the State of Iowa (exclusive of pipelines), is solvent and is financially able to pay damages in the amount of at least \$50,000.00 which may be legally recovered against it and which result from the operation of its pipelines within the State of Iowa, as shown by Exhibit "D", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

VI.

No part of the facilities herein proposed will be constructed longitudinally on, over or under any public highway or railroad right-of-way or at other than an approximate right angle to the track or highway, and if, during construction, it is found that longitudinal occupancy is necessary, and written consent or other showing of right to such occupancy is required, evidence of the granting of such consent will be filed in the form prescribed by the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

VII.

Petitioner will advise the Commission of the commencement of the construction herein contemplated. If such construction requires one week or more, Petitioner will furnish to the Commission a progress report at the end of each week showing the progress of the various phases of construction.

VIII.

The construction of the proposed pipeline will conform to the minimum requirements prescribed in the rules of the Iowa State Commerce Commission and all requirements of Chapter 490, Code of 19____.

IX.

Petitioner will test the facilities herein proposed upon completion, in accordance with the applicable provision of ASA B31, latest issue. Immediately following such tests, Petitioner will file a report with the Commission setting forth the method of testing and the results of such test.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully prays that:

1. The Commission fix a time and place for hearing in the matter of this Petition for Permit, and that proper notice be prepared for publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in _____ Union _____ Counties, Iowa.

2. Petitioner be granted a Permit under the provisions of Chapter 490, Code of Iowa, 19__66__, to construct, operate and maintain a pipeline for the transmission of Natural Gas, and for such purpose to lay pipes, place pumps, pressure apparatus or other stations, devices or equipment used in or upon such pipeline which are necessary, under, along, over or across any public and private highways, grounds, waters or streams of any kind in the State of Iowa, or the lands of any person, company or corporation in the State of Iowa and to acquire, through the exercise of the right of eminent domain, the necessary interests in such land.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 19__69__.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

By G. J. Donovan
G. J. Donovan, Vice President

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF RAMSEY } ss.

I, G. J. Donovan, being duly sworn, on oath state that I am Vice President of Petitioner above named and that I have authority to execute the foregoing instrument and that I have read the foregoing Petition and know the contents thereof, and that the statement therein contained are true and correct as I verily believe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said G. J. Donovan

the 22nd day of April, 19__69__.

Notary Public

M. C. HOOGERFEEGER

Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.
My Commission Expires Mar. 4, 1975.

(SEAL)

INSTRUCTIONS

Paragraph VI: If no longitudinal construction or construction at other than an approximate right angle is contemplated, the following statement may be used:

No part of the facilities herein proposed will be constructed longitudinally on, over or under any public highway or railroad right-of-way or at other than an approximate right angle to any highway or track. If during construction it is found that longitudinal occupancy is necessary, and written consent or other showing of right to such occupancy is required, evidence of the granting of such consent will be filed in the form prescribed by the Rules and Regulations of the Commission.

If such construction is contemplated, the following statement may be used:

Attached hereto as Exhibit "E" and by this reference made a part hereof are consents or other showings of right of appropriate public highway authorities or railroad companies where the proposed pipeline will be placed longitudinally on, over or under or at other than an approximate right angle to the highway or railroad tracks.

IOWA STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION
SPECIFICATIONS FOR PIPELINE
Exhibit "C"

Use separate sheet for each size pipe. Answer all questions fully.

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of
America Line at

1. The proposed pipeline will transport..... Natural Gas from Creston, Iowa
Iowa to..... Afton Iowa., All in Union County
The *maximum actual operating pressure of the line will be..... 500psi.
When operated at an inlet pressure of..... 300psi. and an outlet pressure
of..... 100psi. it will transport..... 1,440mcf. or bbls. per day.
2. PIPE: Mileage..... 10.25 Type of joints..... Welded
Internal diameter..... 3.188" **Location class 1 ☒ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐
External diameter..... 3.5" **Construction type A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐
Weight (foot)..... 5.58# Max. allowable working psi..... 1615
Lengths (feet)..... 45' Minimum yield psi..... 55,000
Tensile strength psi..... 60,000 Mill test psi..... 1,900
Manufacturer of pipe..... Republic Steel Corporation Pipe specification..... API-5L Grade B
3. Name and method of coating, if any..... X-Tru Coat: Adhesive .005" Plastic .035"
4. Describe cathodic protection, if any used..... Pipe to be Cathodically protected to the extent determined
by survey to be made at time of construction
5. VALVES:
Test pressure..... 3,000 PSI Flanged, screwed or welded..... Flanged
Manufacturer's name, type and reference No..... Nordstrom Fig. #2245 Plug Valve
Approximate distance between gates..... 10.25 Miles
6. DITCH:
Machine or hand..... Machine Depth of cover..... 30 inches
Width at bottom..... 8 inches Minimum cover where crossing open ditches, draws or creeks.....
36 inches
7. CROSSINGS: Railway
Name of Railroad..... C.B. & Q. R.R. Location (legal description)
SE 1/4, SW 1/4 Section 31, T73N, R30-W
Union County
Primary Road
No. of Road..... None Location (legal description)
None
Number of secondary roads..... Five
Number of crossings of rivers or other waterways..... One - Twelve Mile Creek
SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 35, T73N, R30W Union County
Locate and describe any multiple line crossings..... None
What crossings will have river clamps or heavy wall pipe..... None
What crossings will be rippaped..... None
Do you expect to comply with minimum specifications of this Commission covering railroad crossings and primary and secondary
highway crossings..... Yes
8. BRIDGES:
Locate and describe span bridge crossings..... None
Locate and describe suspension bridge crossings..... None
9. SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION:
..... None

Advice will be furnished to this Commission of the start of construction of the pipeline covered by this application. If the
work of construction lasts one week or more a report will be furnished at the end of each week showing the progress of different
phases of the work.

The pipeline shall be tested upon its completion in accord with applicable provisions of Standard Code of Pressure Piping
ASA B31.1, latest issue, (Section 8 for gas lines and Section 3 for oil lines). Immediately following the test a written report will
be forwarded to this Commission showing the method and results of the test.

*Maximum actual operating pressure is the maximum operating pressure that will exist in the piping system during a normal
annual operating cycle. This pressure is amount which will be specified in operating permit, when and if issued.

**See Standard Code of Pressure Piping ASA B31.1, (Section 8 gas lines).

Name of applicant..... NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

Date..... Signed by..... *Roman L. Larsen*

EXHIBIT D

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.
STATEMENT AS TO SOLVENCY AND FINANCIAL STABILITY

North Central Public Service Co. has distributed natural gas in the State of Iowa since 1938. It presently owns and operates the natural gas distribution systems in Perry, Bayard, Bagley, Yale, Jamaica, Algona, Wesley, Fenton, Lone Rock, Ringsted, Fort Madison, West Point, Donnellson and Denmark, Iowa. The Company's net worth is approximately \$5,910,000 as of December 31, 1968, with total assets of approximately \$13,900,000. The cost of its Iowa properties is \$4,390,000; the net value after allowances for depreciation reserves of \$1,240,000 is approximately \$3,150,000. Cash on hand at the bank, accounts receivable, inventories, etc. in Iowa vary from month to month, but are always in excess of \$400,000. The Company's Dun and Bradstreet rating is AAA1.

STATE OF MINNESOTA


SS:

COUNTY OF RAMSEY

I, L. J. Hermes, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and state that I am an officer of North Central Public Service Co.; that I have read the foregoing Exhibit "D" and am familiar with the matters stated therein and that the matters set forth are true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

BY:


L. J. Hermes, Treasurer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of April, 1969.


M. C. Hoogesteger

Notary Public in and for Said
County and State

My Commission expires March 4, 1975.

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EXHIBIT "A"

UNION COUNTY, IOWA

A 3-inch diameter natural gas pipeline all in Union County, Iowa commencing at the point of connection with the outlet end of a proposed meter station adjacent to the existing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America town border station serving Creston, Iowa located in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W, thence Easterly on the North side of the township road located on and paralleling the South line of Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, Township 73N, Range 30W and Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W to the center of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W, crossing under the tracks of the C.B.& Q. R.R. in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W and over an existing underground pipeline of Standard Oil Company of Indiana in the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 33, Township 73N, Range 30W and under the bed of Twelve Mile Creek in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 73N, Range 30W, thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 6, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of 1 mile, thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located between Sections 6, 7, 5 and 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of 1 mile, thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of one-half mile, thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile, thence Southeasterly on the West side of Union County Road "J" located in the SW 1/4 of Section 9, Township 72N, Range 29W and the NW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W, terminating at a point within the corporate limits of the Village of Afton in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

DOCKET NO. CP69_____

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

(_____, 1969)

Take notice that on _____, 1969, North Central Public Service Co. (Applicant), 1080 Montreal Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55102, filed in Docket No. CP69_____ an application for an order of the Commission directing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural Gas Pipeline) to construct and operate certain natural gas facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Applicant seeks an order of the Commission directing Natural Gas Pipeline to construct and operate a sales measuring station to provide a delivery point for North Central at Natural Gas Pipeline's present Creston, Iowa delivery point. The new delivery point would enable North Central to distribute natural gas in the town of Afton, Iowa. Third year peak day and annual gas requirements are estimated at 680 Mcf and 78,620 Mcf, respectively, which North Central proposes to purchase from Natural Gas Pipeline under its G-1 Rate Schedule.

Protests or petitions to intervene may be filed with the Federal Power Commission, Washington, D. C. 20426, in accordance with the Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 1.8 or 1.10) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (157.10) on or before _____, 1969.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Power Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission on this application if no protest or petition to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of North Central's request is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a protest or petition for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Gordon Grant
Secretary

P-709

BEFORE THE
FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

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DOCKET NO. CP69__

Comes now North Central Public Service Co. (North Central) and pursuant to Section 7(a) of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, and Section 250.6 of the Commission's Regulations thereunder, hereby files this application for an order of the Commission directing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America to provide an initial delivery point for North Central. In support of this application, North Central respectfully shows as follows:

(1)

The exact name of applicant is North Central Public Service Co. Applicant is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa.

(2)

Applicant has its principal place of business at 1080 Montreal Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102.

(3)

The name, title and mailing address of the persons to whom communications concerning this application are to be addressed are as follows:

Gerald J. O'Brien, Director, Special Services
North Central Public Service Co.
1080 Montreal Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102
Telephone Number - 612 690-1761

Ned Willis, Esquire
Willis & Sackett
1212 Second Street
Perry, Iowa 50220
Telephone Number - 515 465-5331

(4)

The name of the natural gas company from whom service is desired is Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America. Natural Gas Pipeline is a natural gas transmission company engaged in the business of purchasing, transporting, and selling natural gas in interstate commerce under authorization granted by, and subject to the jurisdiction of, the Federal Power Commission.

(5)

North Central is engaged in the business of distributing and selling natural gas at retail. North Central presently purchases natural gas from Northern Natural Gas Company for resale in 24 communities in Minnesota and 10 communities in Iowa; from Midwestern Gas Transmission Company for resale in 4 communities in Minnesota; and from Michigan Wisconsin Pipe Line Company for resale in 4 communities in Iowa.

(6)

North Central is not presently a distributor customer of Natural Gas Pipeline. The proposed delivery point will enable North Central to serve the town of Afton, Iowa. Afton, Iowa is located in Union County, Iowa, about 50 miles southwest of Des Moines, Iowa, and approximately 11 miles south of Natural Gas Pipeline's Amarillo Line.

The population of Afton was 936 in 1950 and 773 in 1960. Present population is estimate to be in excess of the 773 counted in the 1960 census. In addition, an estimated rural population of over 100 people would be served on the way to Afton. The number of buildings counted in Afton were 300 residences, of which 185 are presently being heated with propane; and 77 commercial buildings, of which 21 are now heating with propane. In addition, 32 farms are located on the proposed line to Afton.

The estimated rate of connection of potential customers, average peak day and annual requirements per meter are based on North Central's past experience in other Iowa communities, and taking into account the present high level of propane use. Connections of potential residential consumers is expected to be 55% in 1969; 18% in 1970; and 3% in 1971. Approximately 90% of those connected will use gas for space heating in each year. Small volume commercial customers will be connected 22% in 1969, 12% in 1970 and 7% in 1971. Space heating percentages in these years will be 80%, 87%, and 90%, respectively. Potential large volume commercial customers are, with one exception, presently fueled with propane. The propane users will be attached in 1969; the other, plus two others to be built, are added by the end of 1971.

Average peak day and annual requirements per meter are as below:

	<u>Peak Day</u> <u>Cubic Feet</u>	<u>Annual Use</u> <u>Mcf</u>
Residential	200	20
Residential Heating	1,600	160
Small Volume Commercial	700	150
Small Volume Commercial Heating	3,000	300
Large Volume Commercial Heating were estimated individually.		

Demand caused by gas loss is included in the above peak day estimates.
Annual gas loss is estimated at 3% of sales.

Using the factors listed above, number of meters, peak days and annual requirements were computed as follows:

NUMBER OF METERS

	<u>December 31,</u>			
	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>
Residential	20	30	30	30
Residential Heating	160	210	220	230
Commercial	3	3	3	3
Commercial Heating	12	20	25	30
Large Volume Commercial	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>
Totals	<u>201</u>	<u>271</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>302</u>

PEAK DAYS, IN MCF

	<u>HEATING SEASONS</u>		
	<u>1969-1970</u>	<u>1970-1971</u>	<u>1971-1972</u>
Residential	4	6	6
Residential Heating	253	340	355
Commercial	2	2	2
Commercial Heating	36	60	75
Large Volume Commercial	<u>95</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>242</u>
Totals	<u>390</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>680</u>

ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS, IN MCF

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>
Residential	480	600	600
Residential Heating	28,800	34,240	35,840
Commercial	450	450	450
Commercial Heating	4,500	6,600	8,100
Large Volume Commercial	<u>16,640</u>	<u>24,340</u>	<u>31,340</u>
Total Sales	50,870	66,230	76,330
Gas Loss	<u>1,530</u>	<u>1,990</u>	<u>2,290</u>
Total Requirements	<u>52,400</u>	<u>68,220</u>	<u>78,620</u>

(7)

A franchise is necessary to render the proposed service. In a franchise election held on September 19, 1968, the residents of Afton voted in favor of a franchise to North Central. 245 votes were cast in favor of the proposed franchise and 10 votes were in opposition. North Central accepted Franchise Ordinance No. 133 on September 23, 1968.

(8)

It is not necessary to obtain approval of the proposed distribution system project from the State of Iowa. However, since it is anticipated that pressures in the transmission line to Afton will exceed 150# psi., a permit must be obtained from the Iowa Commerce Commission for its construction and operation. An application for the permit is being prepared, and will soon be filed. No difficulty in obtaining the permit is anticipated.

(9)

Starting date for the construction of the necessary transmission and distribution facilities is tentatively set for June 15, 1969, with the completion date estimated to be August 15, 1969. Sale of gas would commence as soon as the facilities could be energized.

(10)

The cost of the transmission and distribution was estimated based on unit construction costs experienced by the Company in Iowa in 1968. There are no legal or financing fees involved in the project. Engineering is being done by Company engineers who have planned many similar gas systems. Cost estimates, including an allowance of 15% for engineering, overhead and contingent costs, and interest during construction are as follows:

TRANSMISSION PLANT

Mains - 3" 56,000 L.F.	\$ 94,450
Regulator station and odorizing equipment	<u>3,270</u>
Total Direct Costs	\$ 97,720
Allowance for engineering, overhead, contingent costs, and interest during construction @ 15% of direct costs	<u>14,650</u>
Total Transmission Plant Cost	<u>\$112,370</u>

DISTRIBUTION PLANT

Mains - 4" 3,450 L.F.	\$ 8,090
3" 3,700 L.F.	6,550
2" 22,000 L.F.	32,370
Services and meters - Residential - 180	23,580
Commercial - 21	5,880
Regulator station	<u>1,150</u>
Total Direct Costs	\$ 77,620
Allowance for engineering, overhead, contingent costs, and interest during construction @ 15% of direct costs	<u>11,640</u>
Total Distribution Plant Cost	<u>\$ 89,260</u>
Total Cost	<u>\$201,630</u>

Ultimate costs, based on estimated customer connections would be \$216,410.

(11)

It was not necessary to use the services of our engineering consultant in this matter.

(12)

Financing of the facilities will be accomplished through short term bank loans. The Company presently has a line of credit with the First National Bank of St. Paul in the amount of \$3,000,000 (see letter, Exhibit A). At December 31, 1968, only \$2,650,000 of this credit was in use.

(13)

The rates proposed to be charged consumers will be available to all residential and commercial customers for firm gas use, and are as follows:

<u>Rate</u>	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Net</u>
First 500 cu. ft. per Mcf	\$1.50	\$1.40
Next 1,500 cu. ft. per Mcf	1.65	1.55
Next 3,000 cu. ft. per Mcf	1.45	1.35
Next 45,000 cu. ft. per Mcf	1.05	.95
Next 50,000 cu. ft. per Mcf	1.00	.90
Next 300,000 cu. ft. per Mcf	.90	.80
Next 600,000 cu. ft. per Mcf	.80	.70
All over 1,000,000 cu. ft. per Mcf	.75	.65

Minimum Monthly Bill - \$1.47

Prompt Payment Provision - All bills are rendered at the gross rate and discounted to the net rate if paid within 10 days.

The cost of purchased gas was computed using Natural Gas Pipeline's presently effective G-1 Rate Schedule. The charge for gas under this schedule is 35.52¢ per Mcf of gas delivered.

The pro forma operating statements for the first three full years of operation of the proposed facilities as follows:

	<u>Year</u>		
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Operating Revenues - Residential	\$33,860	\$40,320	\$42,150
- Commercial	<u>18,330</u>	<u>26,810</u>	<u>33,710</u>
Total	<u>\$52,190</u>	<u>\$67,130</u>	<u>\$75,860</u>
Operating Revenue Deductions:			
Cost of Purchased Gas	\$18,610	\$24,230	\$27,920
Other Operation and Maintenance	9,120	11,080	11,720
Depreciation Expense	6,300	6,510	6,530
Taxes Other Than Income	6,600	6,960	7,050
Income Taxes	<u>(2,140)</u>	<u>2,030</u>	<u>4,670</u>
Total	<u>\$38,490</u>	<u>\$50,810</u>	<u>\$57,890</u>
Net Operating Revenues	<u>\$13,700</u>	<u>\$16,320</u>	<u>\$17,970</u>

(14)

A geographical map, showing the transmission facilities proposed to be installed by North Central, and a flow diagram are attached as Exhibits B and C, respectively.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, North Central Public Service Co., requests that the Commission issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America to construct and operate the facilities hereinabove described pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, as amended. North Central further prays for the issuance of all orders necessary or appropriate for effectuating the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

By


Gerald J. Donovan
Vice President

EXHIBIT A

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SAINT PAUL

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55101



AREA CODE 612-221-3012

January 2, 1969

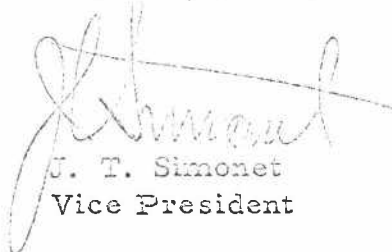
Mr. R. G. Donovan, President
North Central Public Service Co.
1080 Montreal Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Dear Dick:

Our Directors' Loan Committee has approved our lending your company on a revolving credit basis up to \$3 million outstanding at any one time. We will carry loans made under this arrangement until September 1, 1970. As in the past we will make advances on 90-day notes, but with the understanding that our commitment is good until September 1, 1970, and that loans made under this revolving credit are not due until then unless you elect to pay them at an earlier date. It is our understanding that sometime during this period you will, at your option, fund out our loans by means of long-term financing or other arrangements.

As in the past we have not set down a specific supporting balance requirement for this lending arrangement as you have always been fair in this regard in the past, and we would expect you to be in the future.

Sincerely yours,


J. T. Simonet
Vice President

JTS:bn

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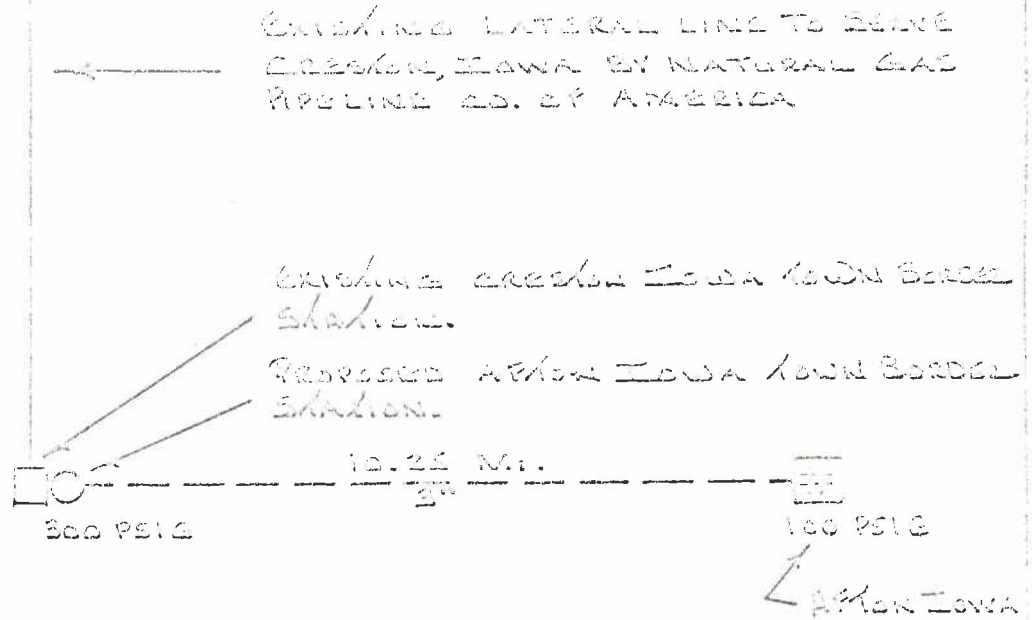


PROPOSED TRANSMISSION PIPELINE

OUTSIDE DIAMETER	3.5 INCHES
INSIDE DIAMETER	3.125 INCHES
LENGTH	10.75 MILES
COMPRESSOR STATIONS	NONE
CONNECTION WITH SUPPLIER	AT CRESTON, IOWA
SUPPLIER	NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CO. OF AMERICA
KNOWN PROPOSED FACILITIES BY SUPPLIER	1 DOWN BORDER STATION AT CRESTON, IOWA.

NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CO. OF AMERICA

AKRON IOWA



CAPACITY

MG/DAY
1440

MG/HR
60

PIPELINE REQUIREMENTS

OUTSIDE DIAMETER 26 INCHES
 INSIDE DIAMETER 24.88 INCHES
 MILES OF PIPE LINE 10.25

LEGEND

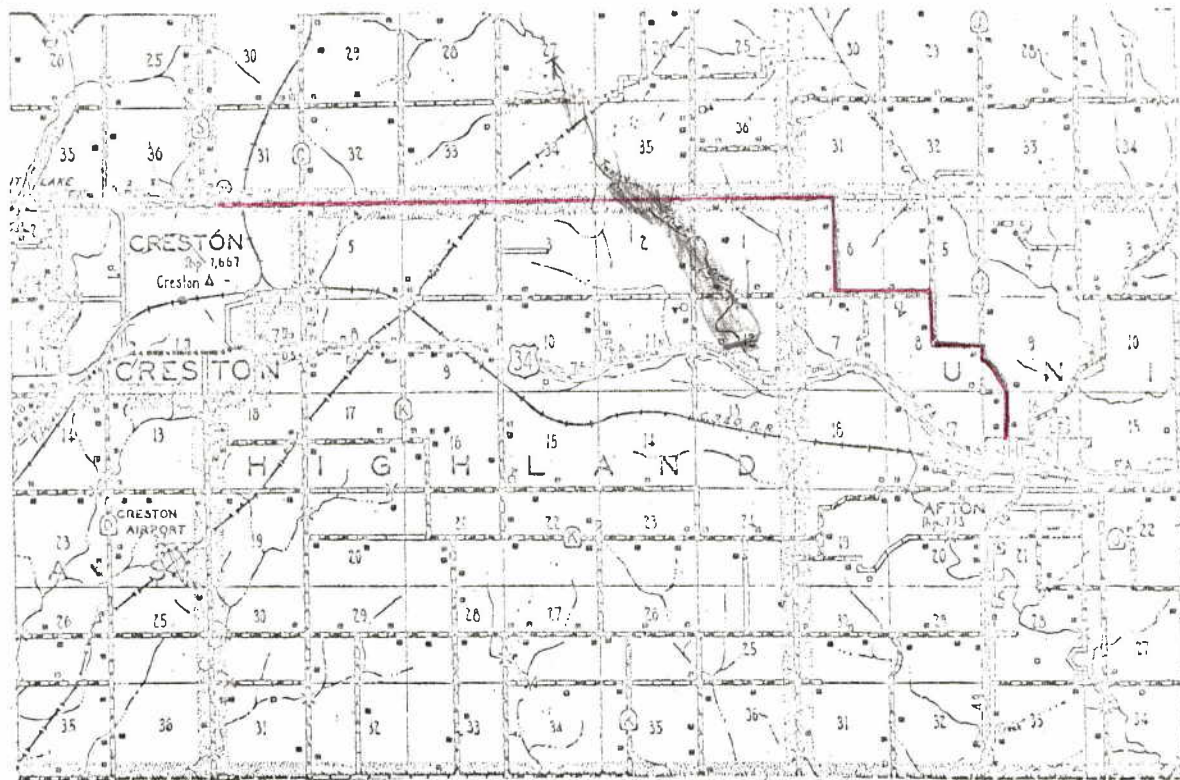
- PRESENT LINE
- - - PROPOSED PIPELINE
- PROPOSED A.S. STATION
- PRESENT A.S. STATION

NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

ACTION

IOWA

Leonard
Lanson



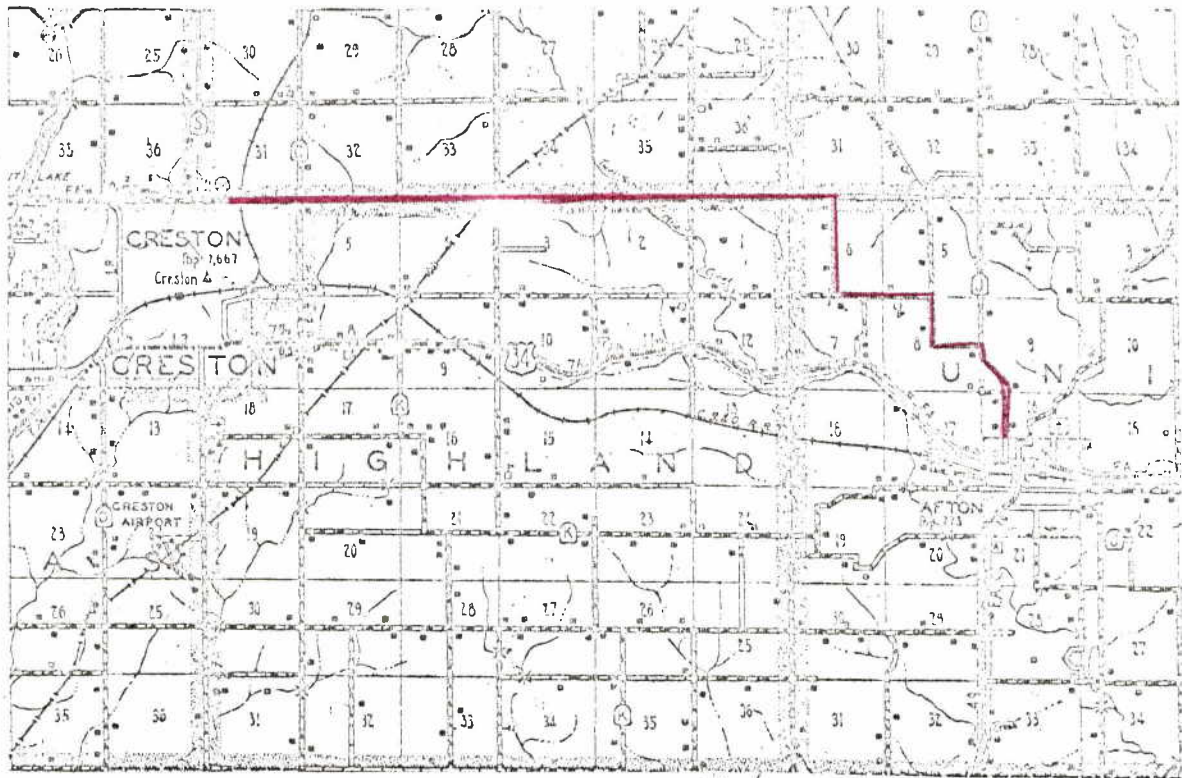
— PROPOSED TRANSMISSION PIPELINE

OUTSIDE DIAMETER	3.5 INCHES
INSIDE DIAMETER	3.182 INCHES
LENGTH	10.25 MILES
COMPRESSOR STATIONS	NONE
CONNECTION WITH SUPPLIER	AT CRESTON IOWA
SUPPLIER	NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CO. OF AMERICA
KNOWN PROPOSED FACILITIES BY SUPPLIER	1 TOWN BORDER STATION AT CRESTON IOWA.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO

AFTON IOWA

EXHIBIT E



PROPOSED TRANSMISSION PIPELINE

OUTSIDE DIAMETER	3.5 INCHES
INSIDE DIAMETER	3.18 INCHES
LENGTH	10.25 MILES
COMPRESSOR STATIONS	NONE
CONNECTION WITH SUPPLIER	AT CRESTON IOWA
SUPPLIER	NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CO. OF AMERICA
KNOWN PROPOSED FACILITIES BY SUPPLIER	1 TOWN BORDER STATION AT CRESTON IOWA.

NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC SERVICE CO

AFTON IOWA

Before the

UTILITIES BOARD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Midwest Gas, a division of
Midwest Resources FOR A PERMIT
TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PIPELINE, DOCKET NO. P- 709

PETITION

Midwest Gas, a Division of
COMES NOW, Midwest Resources, Petitioner herein,
and alleges and states as follows:

I.

Petitioner is a corporation duly existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Iowa. It is duly authorized to transact business in the State of Iowa. Its principal office is at P. O. Box 9244, Des Moines,
Iowa 50306-9224

II.

Petitioner proposes to construct approximately 10.25 miles of 3 inch diameter pipeline for the transportation of natural gas in Union Counties, Iowa. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference made a part hereof is a legal description, by county, of the route over which the proposed pipeline will be constructed.

III.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and by this reference made a part hereof are two copies of a map on which is shown the starting point, route and terminus of the proposed pipeline, the location of all public highways, railroad rights-of-way, buildings and streams along the route of said proposed pipeline and other pertinent features of the route.

IV.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and by this reference made a part hereof are engineering specifications covering materials and manner of construction of the proposed pipeline, maximum and normal operating pressures, and other pertinent information as requested upon the form provided by the Utilities Board.

V.

Petitioner owns property in the State of Iowa (exclusive of pipelines) subject to execution, of a value of at least \$250,000.00, or posts a surety bond or other security to be approved by the Utilities Board in like amount, to cover damages which may be legally recovered against it and which result from the operation of its pipelines within the State of Iowa, as shown by Exhibit "D", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

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VI.

Unless otherwise indicated, no part of the facilities proposed herein will be constructed longitudinally on, over or under any public highway or railroad right-of-way or at other than an approximate right angle to any highway or railroad right-of-way.

Where such construction is contemplated, attached hereto as Exhibit "E" and by this reference made a part hereof are consents or other showings of right of appropriate public highway authorities or railroad companies.

If during construction it is found that longitudinal occupancy or an other than approximate right angle crossing not now contemplated is necessary, and written consent or other showing of right is required, evidence of the granting of such consent will be filed with the Utilities Board.

VII.

Attached hereto at Exhibit "F" and by this reference made a part hereof is (1) a general description of the public or private highways, grounds and waters, streams and private lands of any kind along, over or across which the proposed pipeline will pass, (2) a general statement concerning the possible use of alternative routes for the proposed pipeline, (3) a statement concerning the relationship of the proposed pipeline to the present and future land use and zoning ordinances and (4) a statement concerning the inconvenience or undue injury which may result to property owners as a result of the proposed pipeline.

VIII.

Attached hereto as Exhibit "G" and by this reference made a part hereof is an Affidavit that Informational Meetings, where required by Iowa Code Section 479.5, were held in each county which the proposed pipeline will affect and the time and place of each meeting.

IX.

Petitioner will advise the Utilities Board at least one week prior to the commencement of the construction herein contemplated. If such construction requires one week or more, Petitioner will furnish to the Utilities Board a progress report at the end of each week showing the progress of the various phases of construction.

Petitioner will allow Utilities Board personnel full access to construction sites and records for the purpose of inspecting the manner and progress of construction activities, and to all facilities and records after the pipeline is placed in service for the purpose of inspecting the manner in which it is operated and maintained.

X.

Unless otherwise indicated, all design, construction, operation and maintenance will be in accordance with the appropriate federal and state regulations and standards.

Petitioner will test the facilities herein proposed upon completion, in accordance with the appropriate regulations and standards. Petitioner will notify the Utilities Board prior to testing, and after completion of testing will file with the Utilities Board a report setting forth the method of testing and the results of such test.

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XI.

Petitioner will comply with the provisions of Iowa Code Section 479.29 and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Utilities Board thereunder for the protection of underground improvements during the construction of pipelines, to protect soil conservation and drainage structures from being permanently damaged by pipeline construction and for the restoration of agricultural lands after construction.

XII.

Petitioner has previously filed with the Utilities Board a statement as to how damage claims will be determined and paid, copies thereof have been or will be provided to affected parties in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Utilities Board.

XIII.

*Petitioner is requesting the use of the right of eminent domain for securing right of way for the proposed pipeline project. Specific description of the lands sought to be condemned is shown on Exhibit "H", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully prays that:

1. The Utilities Board fix a time and place for hearing in the matter of this Petition for Permit, and that proper notice be prepared for publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Union Counties, Iowa.

2. Petitioner be granted a Permit under the provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 479 to construct, operate and maintain a pipeline for the transportation of natural gas, and for such purpose to lay pipes, place pumps, pressure apparatus or other stations, devices or equipment used in or upon such pipeline which are necessary, under, along, over or across any public and private highways, grounds, waters or streams of any kind in the State of Iowa, or the lands of any person, company or corporation in the State of Iowa.

*3. Petitioner be granted the use of the right of eminent domain to acquire necessary interests in land.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1994.

Midwest Gas, a division of
(Company) Midwest Resources
By Charles A. Wellman
(Name) Charles A. Wellman
Sr. Gas Engineer
(Title)

(*Strike if not applicable)

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STATE OF Iowa)
COUNTY OF Polk) SS.

I, Charles A. Wellman, being duly sworn, on oath state that I
am Sr. Gas Engineer, of Petitioner named above and that I
(Official Title)
have authority to execute the foregoing instrument and that I have read the
foregoing Petition and know the contents thereof, and that the statements therein
contained are true and correct as I verily believe.

Charles A. Wellman
Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said Charles A. Wellman,
the 5th day of December 1994.

D. L. Blecker
Notary Public

(SEAL)



My commission expires on 10-31-97.



October 1994

EXHIBIT "A"

A 3-inch diameter natural gas pipeline all in Union County, Iowa commencing at the point of connection with the outlet end of an existing meter station adjacent to the existing Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America town border station serving Creston, Iowa located in the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 30W; thence Easterly on the North side of Union County road H33 located on and paralleling the South line of Sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, Township 73N, Range 30W and Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W to the center of Section 31, Township 73N, Range 29W; thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 6, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of one mile; thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located between Sections 6, 7, 5 and 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of one mile; thence Southerly on the East side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W, for the distance of one-half mile; thence Easterly on the North side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 8, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile; thence Southerly on the east side of the west line of section line of Section 9, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile; thence easterly on the South side of a township road located between Sections 9 and 16, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile; Thence southerly on the east side of a township road located on the centerline of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W for the distance of one-half mile, terminating at the town border station within the corporate limits of Afton in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 16, Township 72N, Range 29W.

A 4-inch diameter natural gas pipeline all in Union County, Iowa commencing at a point approximately 200 feet west of the east line of Section 35, Township 73N, Range 30W and 40 feet north of the South line of the same said Section 35; thence Easterly on the North side of Union County Road H33 located on the South line of Sections 35 and 36, Township 73N, Range 30W for the distance of 700 feet.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD
SPECIFICATIONS FOR PIPELINE
EXHIBIT "C"

Use additional sheet for each size pipe. Answer all questions fully. Attach additional 8½" by 11" sheets as needed.

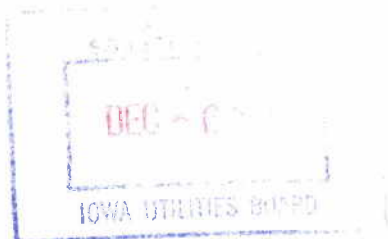
1. The proposed pipeline will transport natural gas from Creston, Iowa, Iowa to Afton, Iowa.
The maximum actual operating pressure of the line will be 200 psig. (See a.)
When operated at an inlet pressure of 200 psig and an outlet pressure of 87 psig it will transport 1,440 (mcf) (bbls) per day.
2. PIPE: Mileage 10.25 Type of joints Welded
Internal diameter 3.188 in Class Location 1 2 3 4 (See b.)
External diameter 3.5 in Tensile strength psi 60,000
Weight per foot 5.58 lb Minimum yield psi (SMYS) 35,000
Length (feet) 45 foot Pipe Specification API 5L (grade B)
Manufacturer of pipe Republic Steel Corp. Type of coating X-tru Coat
3. Maximum allowable operating pressure, psig 200 (See b.)
Minimum test pressure, psig Unknown (See b.)
4. Type of cathodic protection magnesium anodes
5. VALVES:
API valve class 600 psi Flanged, screwed or welded flanged
Manufacturer's name, type and reference No. Nordstrom Fig. # 2245 plug valve
Approximate spacing 10.25 miles.
6. STANDARDS: Unless otherwise indicated, all design, construction, operation and maintenance will be in accordance with the appropriate federal and state regulations and standards.
7. CROSSINGS: Listed on an attached sheet is the name and location (legal description) of each feature being crossed.

Railroads	Number of crossings <u>1</u> (See c.)
Primary Roads	Number of crossings <u>0</u>
Foreign Pipelines	Number of crossings <u>1</u>
Rivers, Streams, Bodies of Water	Number of crossings <u>1</u> (See d.)
8. CONSTRUCTION:
If applicable, attached is information on any special design, construction, or test measures contemplated due to route conditions, environmentally sensitive areas, or other unusual circumstance.
Prior to construction other utilities will be contacted to determine the location of facilities which could be affected by the project and arrangements made to minimize disruption of services.
The pipeline will be tested upon completion in accordance with the applicable provisions of 49 CFR Part 192 or 195, latest or replacement issue. The Utilities Board will be notified prior to testing, and after completion a written report will be filed showing the test methods and results.

Name of applicant Midwest Gas, a Division of Midwest Resources Date 10-28-94
Signed by Charles A. Wellman
(Name and Title) Charles A. Wellman, Sr Gas Eng

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Maximum actual operating pressure is the maximum operating pressure that will exist in the piping system during a normal annual operating cycle. Unless otherwise requested by the petitioner, this pressure is the amount which will be specified in the operating permit, when and if issued.
- b. See 49 CFR Part 192 or 195, latest or replacement issue.
- c. Active lines only. Any abandoned railroad rights-of-way (as defined in Chapter 471.15, Code of Iowa) shall be identified on an attached list or on Exhibit "B".
- d. Shall include all navigable water, meandered streams, streams exceeding 100 feet in width between high water marks, and any stream where a crossing permit is required by another regulatory agency or agencies. Identify the agencies.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD
SPECIFICATIONS FOR PIPELINE
EXHIBIT "C"

Use additional sheet for each size pipe. Answer all questions fully. Attach additional 8½" x 11" sheets as needed.

1. The proposed pipeline will transport natural gas from 200' west of 12 mile Lake Road, Iowa to 500' east of 12 mile Lake Road, Iowa.
The maximum actual operating pressure of the line will be 200 psig (See a.)
When operated at an inlet pressure of 200 psig and an outlet pressure of 199.6 psig it will transport 1,440 (mcf) ~~(bbls)~~ per day.
2. PIPE: Mileage .17 miles Type of joints welded
Internal diameter 4.124 in Class Location 1 2 3 4 (See b.)
External diameter 4.5 in Tensile strength psi 60,000
Weight(ft.) 10.79 lb/ft Minimum yield psi (SMYS) 35,000
Length(ft.) 42 Ft Pipe Specification API 5L (grade B)
Manufacturer of pipe American Steel Type of coating 3M Scotchkote N206
3. Maximum allowable operating pressure, psig 200 (See b.)
Minimum test pressure, psig 750 (See b.)
4. Type of cathodic protection Magnesium anodes
5. VALVES: (NO VALVES)
API valve class _____ Flanged, screwed or welded _____
Manufacturer's name, type and reference No. _____
Approximate spacing _____ miles.
6. STANDARDS: Unless otherwise indicated, all design, construction, operation and maintenance will be in accordance with the appropriate federal and state regulations and standards.
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Railroads	Number of crossings <u>0</u> (See c.)
Primary Roads	Number of crossings <u>0</u>
Foreign Pipelines	Number of crossings <u>0</u>
Rivers, Streams, Bodies of Water	Number of crossings <u>0</u> (See d.)
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Midwest Gas, a Division of
Name of applicant Midwest Resources Date 12-5-14

Signed by Charles A. Wellman
(Name and Title) Charles A. Wellman
Sr. Gas Engineer

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October 1994

EXHIBIT "C" ATTACHMENT

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Railroads:

Burlington Northern

SE 1/4 of Sec 31, T73N, R30W

Foreign Pipelines:

Amoco Oil

SE 1/4 of Sec 33, T73N, R30W

Creeks:

Twelve Mile

SE 1/4 of Sec 35, T73N, R30W

Name of Respondent		This Report Is:		Date of Report		Year of Report	
Midwest Power Systems Inc.		(1)	X An Original	(Mo, Da, Yr)		December 31, 1993	
		(2)	A Resubmission				
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET (ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS)							
Line No	Title of account (a)	Ref Page No (b)	Balance at Beginning of Year (c)	Balance at End of Year (d)			
1	UTILITY PLANT						
2	Utility Plant (101-106,114)	200-201	\$2,570,542,495	\$2,614,323,088			
3	Construction Work in Progress (107)	200-201	33,415,911	87,736,354			
4	TOTAL Utility Plant (Enter Total of lines 2 and 3)		\$2,603,958,406	\$2,702,059,442			
5	(Less) Accum. Prov. for Depr. Amort. Depl. (108,111,115)	200-201	1,025,179,167	1,091,170,404			
6	Net Utility Plant (Enter Total of line 4 less 5)	-	\$1,578,779,239	\$1,610,889,038			
7	Nuclear Fuel (120.1-120.4, 120.6)	202-203	0	0			
8	(Less) Accum. Prov. for Amort. of Nucl. Fuel Assemblies (120.5)	202-203	0	0			
9	Net Nuclear Fuel (Enter Total of line 7 less 8)	-	0	0			
10	Net Utility Plant (Enter Total of lines 6 and 9)	-	\$1,578,779,239	\$1,610,889,038			
11	Utility Plant Adjustments (116)	122	0	0			
12	Gas Stored Underground-Noncurrent (117)	-	294,583	294,583			
13	OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS						
14	Nonutility Property (121)	221	1,813,159	1,991,232			
15	(Less) Accum. Prov. for Depr. and Amort. (122)	-	4,525	5,041			
16	Investments in Associated Companies (123)	-	0	0			
17	Investments in Subsidiary Companies (123.1)	224-225	294,452	493,452			
18	(For Cost of Account 123.1, See Footnote Page 224, line 42)	-	0	0			
19	Noncurrent Portion of Allowances	-	0	0			
20	Other Investments (124)	-	274,465,043	275,297,977			
21	Special Funds (125-128)	-	0	0			
22	TOTAL Other Property and Investments (Total of lines 14-17, 19-21)		\$276,568,129	\$277,777,620			
23	CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS						
24	Cash (131)	-	3,405,106	5,430,745			
25	Special Deposits (132-134)	-	0	880			
26	Working Fund (135)	-	808,184	345,432			
27	Temporary Cash Investments (136)	-	0	0			
28	Notes Receivable (141)	-	16,691	0			
29	Customer Accounts Receivable (142)	-	73,113,306	70,623,262			
30	Other Accounts Receivable (143)	-	15,070,103	12,167,536			
31	(Less) Accum. Prov. for Uncollectible Acct.-Credit (144)	-	1,150,516	874,733			
32	Notes Receivable from Associated Companies (145)	-	0	0			
33	Accounts Receivable from Associated Companies (146)	-	37,894,597	37,642,465			
34	Fuel Stock (151)	227	26,283,188	20,328,399			
35	Fuel Stock Expenses Undistributed (152)	227	508,974	960,475			
36	Residuals (Elec) and Extracted Products	227	0	0			
37	Plant Materials and Supplies (154)	227	12,799,869	15,182,369			
38	Merchandise (155)	227	184,070	68,556			
39	Other Materials and Supplies (156)	227	0	0			
40	Nuclear Materials Held for Sale (157)	202-203/227	0	0			
41	Allowances (158.1 and 158.2)	-	0	0			
42	(Less) Noncurrent Portion of Allowances	-	0	0			
43	Stores Expense Undistributed (163)	227	679,211	141,668			
44	Gas Stored Underground - Current (164.1)	-	13,802,753	24,847,856			
45	Liquefied Natural Gas Stored and Held for Processing (164.2-164.3)	-	2,920,668	2,160,586			
46	Prepayments (165)	-	8,256,068	7,584,682			
47	Advances for Gas (166-167)	-	0	0			
48	Interest and Dividends Receivable (171)	-	238,182	295,387			
49	Rents Receivables (172)	-	0	12			
50	Accrued Utility Revenues (173)	-	45,948,027	45,833,191			
51	Miscellaneous Current and Accrued Assets (174)		8,345	0			
52	TOTAL Current and Accrued Assets (Enter Total of lines 24 thru 51)		\$240,786,826	\$242,738,768			

Name of Respondent Midwest Power Systems Inc.		This Report Is: (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Original (2) <input type="checkbox"/> A Resubmission		Date of Report (Mo, Da, Yr)	Year of Report December 31, 1993
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET (ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS)(Continued)					
Line No	Title of account (a)	Ref Page No (b)	Balance at Beginning of Year (c)	Balance at End of Year (d)	
53	DEFERRED DEBITS				
54	Unamortized Debt Expenses (181)	-	\$3,695,237	\$4,512,109	
55	Extraordinary Property Losses (182.1)	230	0	0	
56	Unrecovered Plant and Regulatory Study Costs (182.2)	230	6,013,059	3,974,107	
57	Other Regulatory Assets (182.3)	232	0	242,355,680	
58	Prelim. Survey and Investigation Charges (Electric)(183)	-	4,227,919	3,799,254	
59	Prelim. Sur. and Invest. Charges (Gas)(183.1,183.2)	-	0	2,519	
60	Clearing Accounts (184)	-	465,966	272,481	
61	Temporary Facilities (185)	-	52,139	51,432	
62	Miscellaneous Deferred Debits (186)	233	52,735,250	71,097,419	
63	Def. Losses from Disposition of Utility Plt. (187)	-	0	0	
64	Research, Devel. and Demonstration Expend. (188)	352-353	(149,651)	0	
65	Unamortized Loss on Reacquired Debt (189)	-	7,649,281	39,153,053	
66	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes (190)	234	5,061,475	0	
67	Unrecovered Purchased Gas Costs (191)	-	0	0	
68	TOTAL Deferred Debits (Enter Total of lines 54 thru 67)		\$79,750,675	\$365,218,054	
69	TOTAL Assets and Other Debits (Enter total of lines 10, 11, 12, 22, 52 and 68)		\$2,176,179,452	\$2,496,918,063	

Name of Respondent		This Report is:		Date of Report	Year of Report
Midwest Power Systems Inc.		(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Original	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> A Resubmission	(Mo, Da, Yr)	December 31, 1993
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET (LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS)					
Line No	Title of account (a)	Ref Page No (b)	Balance at Beginning of Year (c)	Balance at End of Year (d)	
1	PROPRIETARY CAPITAL				
2	Common Stock Issued (201)	250-251	\$75,864,610	\$75,864,610	
3	Preferred Stock Issued (204)	250-251	54,413,313	91,780,500	
4	Capital Stock Subscribed (202,205)	252	0	0	
5	Stock Liability for Conversion (203,206)	252	0	0	
6	Premium on Capital Stock (207)	252	174,274,122	174,275,230	
7	Other Paid-in Capital (208-211)	253	212,135,174	212,010,365	
8	Installments Received on Capital Stock (212)	252	0	0	
9	(Less) Discount on Capital Stock (213)	254	0	0	
10	(Less) Capital Stock Expense (214)	254	0	1,738,584	
11	Retained Earnings (215,215.1,216)	118-119	183,595,201	192,241,186	
12	Unappropriated Undistributed Subsidiary Earnings (216.1)	118-119	760,536	760,536	
13	(Less) Reacquired Capital Stock (217)	250-251	0	0	
14	TOTAL Proprietary Capital (Enter Total of lines 2 thru 13)	-	\$701,042,956	\$745,193,843	
15	LONG TERM DEBT				
16	Bonds (221)	256-257	677,577,000	664,845,000	
17	(Less) Reacquired Bonds (222)	256-257	195,000	0	
18	Advances from Associated Companies (223)	256-257	0	0	
19	Other Long-Term Debt (224)	256-257	197,557,658	153,939,000	
20	Unamortized Premium on Long-Term Debt (225)	-	47,612	0	
21	(Less) Unamortized Discount on Long -Term Debt (226)	-	1,937,415	3,791,217	
22	TOTAL Long-Term Debt (Enter Total of lines 16 thru 21)		\$873,049,855	\$814,992,783	
23	OTHER NONCURRENT LIABILITIES				
24	Obligations Under Capital Leases - Noncurrent (227)	-	4,720,086	3,511,960	
25	Accumulated Provision for Property Insurance (228.1)	-	0	0	
26	Accumulated Provision for Injuries and Damages (228.2)	-	290,628	826,902	
27	Accumulated Provision for Pensions and Benefits (228.3)	-	290,785	0	
28	Accumulated Miscellaneous Operating Provisions (228.4)	-	318,056	741,631	
29	Accumulated Provision for Rate Refunds (229)	-	0	0	
30	TOTAL OTHER Noncurrent Liabilities (Enter Total of lines 24 thru 29)		\$5,619,555	\$5,080,493	
31	CURRENT AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES				
32	Notes Payable (231)	-	58,100,000	129,800,000	
33	Accounts Payable (232)	-	66,070,617	71,534,509	
34	Notes Payable to Associated Companies (233)	-	0	0	
35	Accounts Payable to Associated Companies (234)	-	5,125,342	2,696,151	
36	Customer Deposits (235)	-	4,098,765	4,102,893	
37	Taxes Accrued (236)	262-263	65,666,400	82,559,928	
38	Interest Accrued (237)	-	16,474,855	18,584,909	
39	Dividends Declared (238)	-	0	0	
40	Matured Long-Term Debt (239)	-	0	0	
41	Matured Interest (240)	-	0	0	
42	Tax Collection Payable (241)	-	3,100,031	4,142,998	
43	Miscellaneous Current and Accrued Liabilities (242)		17,651,689	25,379,258	
44	Obligation Under Capital Leases-Current (243)		1,050,161	1,131,486	
45	TOTAL Current and Accrued Liabilities (Enter Total of lines 32 thru 44)		\$237,337,860	\$339,932,132	

Name of Respondent Midwest Power Systems Inc.		This Report is: (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Original (2) <input type="checkbox"/> A Resubmission		Date of Report (Mo, Da, Yr)	Year of Report December 31, 1993
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET (LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS)(Continued)					
Line No	Title of account (a)	Ref Page No (b)	Balance at Beginning of Year (c)	Balance at End of Year (d)	
46	DEFERRED CREDITS				
47	Customer Advances for Construction (252)		\$4,590,887	\$4,277,070	
48	Accumulated Deferred Investment Tax credits (255)	266-267	70,282,904	65,373,579	
49	Deferred Gains from Disposition of Utility Plant (256)		0	0	
50	Other Deferred Credits (253)	269	35,554,187	77,977,923	
51	Other Regulatory Liabilities (254)	278	0	112,522,165	
52	Unamortized Gains on Reacquired Debt (257)	-	372,111	0	
53	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes (281-283)	272-277	248,329,137	331,568,075	
54	TOTAL Deferred Credits (Enter Total of line 47 thru 53)		\$359,129,226	\$591,718,812	
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68	TOTAL Liabilities and Other Credits (Enter Total of lines 14, 22, 30, 45 and 54)		\$2,176,179,452	\$2,496,918,063	



TERRY E. BRANSTAD, GOVERNOR

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Midwest Gas

Docket Nos. P-709, P-714

"ORDER ESTABLISHING DATE, TIME AND PLACE
FOR HEARING AND PROPOSING TO TAKE OFFICIAL NOTICE"

Issued January 26, 1995

Parties Served:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

*The undersigned hereby certifies that
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DATE: 01/26/95
Greg D. Johnson

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

PETITIONS FOR PERMIT FOR
NATURAL GAS PIPELINES IN UNION
AND WARREN COUNTIES, IOWA

MIDWEST GAS, A DIVISION OF
MIDWEST RESOURCES,
DES MOINES, IOWA

Petitioner.

DOCKET NOS. P-709
P-714

ORDER ESTABLISHING DATE, TIME AND PLACE
FOR HEARING AND PROPOSING TO TAKE OFFICIAL NOTICE

(Issued January 26, 1995)

On November 10, 1994, Midwest Gas, a division of Midwest Resources, Des Moines, Iowa, filed petitions seeking pipeline permits for two existing natural gas pipelines. IOWA CODE §§ 479.5, 479.6 and 479.23 (1995); IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-10.2 and 10.8 (1995). The pipeline in Docket No. P-709 is located in Union County and is known as the Afton Lateral. The pipeline in Docket No. P-714 is located in Warren County and is known as the Martensdale-St. Mary's Lateral. By order dated December 23, 1994, the Iowa Utilities Board assigned both dockets to an administrative law judge and directed that a procedural schedule be established.

The Board's authority and jurisdiction. The Utilities Board has authority to grant permits for pipelines in whole or in part upon terms,

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conditions, and restrictions as to safety requirements and as to location and route as it determines to be just and proper. IOWA CODE §§ 479.12 and 479.18 (1995).

In order to obtain a permit, the petitioner must show that the services it proposes to render will promote the public convenience and necessity. IOWA CODE § 479.12 (1995). The petitioner must also satisfy the financial requirements of IOWA CODE § 479.26 (1995).

The issues. Pursuant to IOWA CODE §§ 479.7 and 479.8 (1995) and IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-10.6 (1995), this matter will be set for a public hearing for the presentation of oral and documentary evidence and the cross-examination of witnesses concerning the public convenience and necessity issue, any safety issues, any pipeline location and route issues, the financial issues and issues raised by objectors. The conduct of this case will be governed by IOWA CODE Chapters 17A and 479 (1995).

Prepared testimony and exhibits. IOWA CODE § 17A.12(4) (1995) requires that all parties be afforded the opportunity to respond and present evidence and argument on all issues, and that all parties be afforded the opportunity to be represented by counsel at their own expense. The proposed decision and order that the administrative law judge will issue in this case must be based on evidence contained in the record. IOWA CODE §§ 17A.12(6)(a) and 17A.12(8) (1995). Unless contrary arrangements are made on the record at the hearing, all such evidence will be received at the hearing, and the record will be closed to any further evidence at the conclusion of the hearing.

The submission of prepared evidence prior to hearing will help to identify disputed issues of fact to be addressed at the hearing. Prepared

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testimony contains all statements that a witness intends to give under oath at the hearing, set forth in question and answer form. When a witness who has submitted prepared testimony takes the stand, the witness does not ordinarily repeat the written testimony or give a substantial amount of new testimony. Instead, the witness is cross-examined by the other parties concerning the statements already made in writing. The use of prepared testimony prevents surprise at the hearing and helps each party to prepare adequately for the hearing so that a full and true disclosure of the facts can be obtained. IOWA CODE §§ 17A.14(1), 17A.14(3) and 479.11 (1995). This procedure also tends to diminish the length of the hearing, and spares the parties the expense and inconvenience of additional hearings.

Midwest Gas will be required to submit prepared testimony and exhibits prior to the hearing. At minimum, Midwest Gas' prepared testimony shall address all issues noted on page two of this order. The Office of Consumer Advocate, Iowa Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate), and any objectors may also file prepared testimony and exhibits before the hearing in accordance with the procedural schedule.

Parties who choose not to file prepared testimony and exhibits before the hearing will not be precluded from presenting evidence or cross-examining the witnesses of other parties. Out of fairness, however, a party having a substantial amount of information to present should present that information by filing prepared testimony and exhibits. On the other hand, if an objector who is entitled to party status does not intend to present evidence going substantially beyond the information contained in the letter of objection, the objector need not file prepared testimony.

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Party status. Presently, Midwest Gas and the Consumer Advocate are the only parties to this proceeding. IOWA CODE §§ 17A.2(8) and 475A.2 (1995). Anyone who has filed or will file an objection pursuant to IOWA CODE §§ 479.9 and 479.10 (1995) and IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-10.5 (1995) will also be presumed to be a party to this case. However, no objector is entitled to party status merely because that person has written a letter. In order to qualify as a party, the objector must be able to demonstrate some right or interest may be affected by the granting of the permit. See IOWA CODE §§ 479.9, 17A.2(2) and 17A.2(5) (1995). An objector's status as a party may be challenged at the hearing, and an objector who cannot demonstrate a right or interest that may be affected by the granting of the permit will no longer be considered a party. Therefore, at minimum, objectors should be prepared to give evidence that will explain the nature of the specific rights or interests that they believe should be protected, and show how these rights or interests will be affected by the pipeline. As has already been noted, to the extent that the evidence goes substantially beyond information already communicated to the Board in an objection letter, it should be reduced to writing and filed as prepared testimony according to the procedural schedule established below.

Because objectors will be presumed to be parties up to the time of the hearing, an objector will receive copies of all documents that are filed in this docket after the letter of objection has been filed with the Board. This means that if a person files an objection after some or all of the prepared testimony and exhibits have already been filed with the Board by other parties, the objector should make direct contact with the parties who have already filed prepared testimony and exhibits in order to obtain a copy of those materials. The official file of this case will be available for

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inspection at the offices of the Utilities Board on the Fifth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, in Des Moines. IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-1.5(2) (1995).

All new objections to the petition shall be made in writing and filed in triplicate with the Executive Secretary of the Iowa Utilities Board, Fifth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. After an objector has filed a letter of objection, all further communications from the objector to the Board having to do with this case (including motions or prepared testimony and exhibits) should be sent to the Executive Secretary. A party must file an original and ten copies of each communication with the Executive Secretary and the party should send one copy to each of the other parties to this case. IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-1.8; see also IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-7.5(3), 7.7(11), 7.7(12), 7.7(15)(a) and 7.8(2)(a) (1995). Along with the communication being sent, the party should file with the Board a certificate of service that conforms to IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-2.2(16) (1995), which verifies that a copy of that document was served upon the other parties. These procedures are necessary to comply with section 17A.17 of the Iowa Code, which provides in part:

Unless required for the disposition of ex parte matters specifically authorized by statute, parties or their representatives in a contested case shall not communicate, directly or indirectly, in connection with any issue of fact or law in that contested case, with individuals assigned to render a proposed or final decision or to make findings of fact and conclusions of law in that contested case, except upon notice and opportunity for all parties to participate as shall be provided for by agency rules. The agency's rules may require the recipient of a prohibited communication to submit the communication if written or a summary of the communication if oral for inclusion in the record of the proceeding. As sanctions for violations, the rules may provide for a decision against a party who violates the rules; for censuring, suspending or revoking a privilege to practice before the

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agency; and for censuring, suspending or dismissing agency personnel.

IOWA CODE § 17A.17(2) (1995) (emphasis added). Objectors should examine IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-Chapter 10 (1995) in general, and IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-Chapter 1.8 (1995) in particular, for other substantive and procedural rules that apply to this case.

Proposal to take official notice. Utilities Division Bureau of Rate and Safety Evaluation staff member Donald Stursma has filed reports, dated December 22, 1994 (Docket No. P-709) and December 21, 1994 (Docket No. P-714), concerning these petitions. IOWA CODE § 479.11 (1995); IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-1.5(4) (1995). A copy of these reports is attached to this order. Pursuant to IOWA CODE § 17A.14(4) (1995), the administrative law judge proposes to take official notice of the reports and the facts contained therein thus making them a part of the record of this case. IOWA CODE § 17A.12(6)(c) (1995). The parties will have the opportunity to contest any information contained in the reports at the hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Each individual, partnership, corporation, association, governmental subdivision or public or private organization, who files a letter of objection to the petitions of Midwest Gas in these dockets will be presumed to be a party in the proceeding unless it is established at hearing that the objector has no right or interest that may be affected by the pipeline.

2. Objections shall be made in writing and filed in triplicate with the Executive Secretary of the Iowa Utilities Board, Fifth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319, not less than five days before the hearing. Objectors shall file an original and ten copies of all subsequent

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communications to the Board with the Executive Secretary at the same address, which shall be accompanied by a certificate of service.

3. The following procedural schedule is established:

a. On or before February 22, 1995, Midwest Gas shall file prepared direct testimony relating to its petitions for permit for existing natural gas pipelines.

b. On or before March 1, 1995, the Office of Consumer Advocate, Iowa Department of Justice, shall file prepared responsive testimony.

c. A public hearing for the presentation of evidence and the cross-examination of witnesses concerning the issues identified in this notice of hearing shall be held at 10:00 a.m. on March 8, 1995, in the First Floor Hearing Room, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa. Persons with disabilities who will require assistive services or devices to observe this hearing or participate in it should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 281-5256 in advance of the scheduled date to request that appropriate arrangements be made.

4. The administrative law judge proposes to take official notice of the reports filed in these dockets by Utilities Division staff member Donald Stursma, attached to this order and marked as Appendix A (Docket No. P-709) and Appendix B (Docket No. P-714).

5. Any party desiring to cross-examine Mr. Stursma concerning the contents of his reports shall file a request to that effect by March 1, 1995.

6. Pursuant to IOWA CODE §§ 17A.12(1), 479.9 and 479.10 (1995), a copy of this order shall be served by ordinary mail upon Midwest Gas, the Office

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of Consumer Advocate, Iowa Department of Justice, and upon all persons who have filed objections to the petition through the date of this order.

UTILITIES BOARD


Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST:


Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 26th day of January 1995.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES DIVISION
Bureau of Rate & Safety Evaluation

TO: THE FILE DATE: December 22, 1994
FROM: Donald J. Stursma *DS* FILE: P-709
SUBJECT: Petition for Permit for Existing Natural Gas Pipeline

On August 11, 1969, Permanent Permit No. 829 was issued in Docket No. P-709 to North Central Public Service Company (North Central), St. Paul, Minnesota. The permit was for approximately 10.25 miles of 3-inch diameter steel pipeline to be operated at a maximum operating pressure (MOP) of 500 pounds per square inch (psi). The pipeline begins at a connection to a metering station adjacent to the Natural Gas Pipeline Company TBS serving Creston, Iowa, and proceeds in a easterly and southerly direction to the town of Afton, Iowa, all in Union County.

On August 13, 1986, the Utilities Board approved the transfer of the permit from North Central to Iowa Public Service Company. The permit has subsequently been transferred to Midwest Gas, a division of Midwest Resources.

No timely filing of a petition for renewal of permit was made. Therefore, it was necessary for Midwest Gas to file a petition for permit for an existing pipeline. Midwest Gas made this filing on November 10, 1994. The petition is for 10.25 miles of 3-inch diameter steel pipeline and 0.17 miles of 4-inch diameter steel pipeline. The 4-inch segment replaced a portion of the original 3-inch pipeline. The MOP requested is 200 psi. A revised petition and exhibits were filed on December 6, 1994, to correct and clarify some discrepancies found during the initial review. Staff has reviewed the petition and exhibits now on file and finds them in order.

This pipeline must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 192 - "Transportation of Natural and Other Gas by Pipeline: Minimum Federal Safety Standards." The pipeline was inspected for compliance with these standards during the inspection of the Midwest Gas Des Moines District between October 6, 1993, and March 4, 1994. Three probable violation were found, of which Midwest Gas was notified by letter dated March 9, 1994. The probable violations involved test records for a segment of pipeline relocated by North Central, line markers, and inspection and testing of pressure limiting and regulating stations. Midwest Gas responded by letter dated April 11, 1994. The line marker and the inspection and testing probable violations had been corrected. The letter stated that Midwest Gas had been unable to find the test records but would continue to look for them. In the letter outlining the discrepancies found in the initial filing, dated November 17, 1994, Midwest Gas was asked if the records had been located yet. The Midwest Gas response letter, dated December 5, 1994, stated "No documentation has been found to support the pressure test for that part of the line that was relocated in Section 8, T72N, R29W." Midwest Gas should be advised to prepare testimony to explain this matter at the hearing.

Leak history records show eight leaks on this line since November 27, 1989, all but one on farm tap fittings. No records were available for leaks prior to that date. All the leaks were classified as non-hazardous. Six of the leaks have been repaired. The two remaining leaks, including one intermittent main line leak, have not been repaired. Repair of a non-hazardous leak is not required, and the leaks have been monitored in accordance with the Midwest Gas O&M Plan.

The requested MOP of 200 psi is consistent with 49 CFR Part 192.

Bureau of Rate & Safety Evaluation

SUBJECT: Petition for Permit for Existing Natural Gas Pipeline

Many of these violations occurred because Midwest Gas was operating and maintaining this pipeline as a distribution line, rather than as a transmission line. According to the definition of transmission line in § 192.3, and Board precedent in Docket No. DRU-90-3, this pipeline is transmission. Staff suggests the decision in this docket so state.

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Leak history records show there have been 56 leaks on this line. All appear to be leaks at farm taps, not on the pipeline itself, and most were above ground at threaded connections or fittings. Because of the way leak records are kept it is possible that many of these leaks may be duplicates. The records also indicate that all leaks have been repaired.

The requested MOP of 200 psi is consistent with 49 CFR Part 192.



TERRY E. BRANSTAD, GOVERNOR

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Midwest Gas

Docket Nos. P-709, P-714

"ORDER ASSIGNING TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE"

Issued December 23, 1994

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Des Moines, IA 50319

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing document has been served this day upon all parties of record in the proceeding by mailing, by first class mail, to each party a copy thereof, in properly addressed envelope with charges prepaid.

DATE: 12/23/94
[Signature]

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

MIDWEST GAS, A DIVISION OF
MIDWEST POWER SYSTEMS INC.

DOCKET NOS. P-709
P-714

ORDER ASSIGNING TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

(Issued December 23, 1994)

On November 10, 1994, Midwest Gas, a division of Midwest Power Systems Inc., filed petitions for renewal of its existing natural gas pipeline permits. The pipelines provide natural gas service to the towns of Afton, Martensdale, St. Marys, and Wick, Iowa.

IOWA CODE § 479.7 (1993) requires the Utilities Board (Board) to set a hearing in a pipeline proceeding upon the filing of a petition. Therefore, the Board will assign Docket Nos. P-709 and P-714 to an administrative law judge to establish a procedural schedule and set a date for hearing.

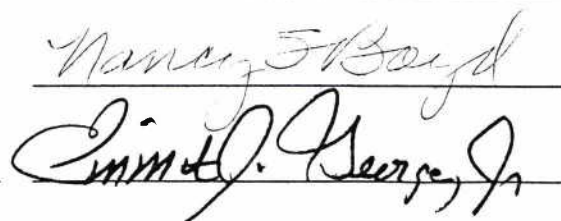
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Docket Nos. P-709 and P-714 shall be assigned to an administrative law judge, pursuant to IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-7.1(4) (1994).
2. The administrative law judge is directed to establish a procedural schedule and set a date for hearing.

UTILITIES BOARD

ATTEST:


Executive Secretary


Nancy E. Boyd

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23rd day of December, 1994.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES DIVISION
Bureau of Rate & Safety Evaluation

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FILE #: P-709, P-714

COMPANY: Midwest Gas

FILE DATE/DUE DATE: N/A

MEMO DATE: December 23, 1994

TO: UTILITIES BOARD

FROM: Guy A. Johnson *GAJ*

RE: Assigning of Dockets to Administrative Law Judge

I. Discussion: On November 10, 1994, Midwest Gas, a division of Midwest Resources, Des Moines, Iowa, filed petitions for permit for existing natural gas pipelines. The pipelines provide natural gas service to the towns of Afton (P-709) and Martensdale, St. Mary's and Wick (P-714).

The petitions and accompanying exhibits in these dockets are in order. A procedural schedule and hearing date can now be established.

II. Action Proposed: Direct the General Counsel to draft for the Board's consideration an order assigning Docket Nos. P-709 and P-714 to an Administrative Law Judge for development of a procedural schedule and hearing.

ACTION APPROVED

UTILITIES BOARD

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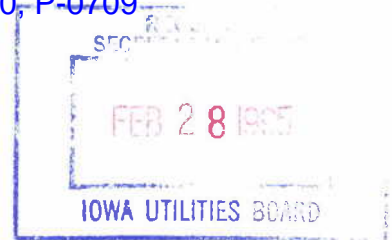
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IN RE:

PETITIONS FOR PERMIT FOR
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STATEMENT OF THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

COMES NOW the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), a division of the Iowa Department of Justice, and for its Statement, states:

1. OCA has determined that no testimony need be filed in this proceeding.
2. OCA has determined that it has certain questions of Board staff member Donald Stursma concerning safety. Accordingly, OCA requests his appearance at hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Stead
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OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

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The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing document has been served upon all parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the rules of the Iowa Utilities Board on February 28, 1995.